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Terrible Disaster on Long Island Sound.

Propeller J. N. Harris run down by the Steamer Metropolis, and Sunk.

THIRTEEN LIVES LOST.

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[illegible] on Long Island Sound last [illegible] the steamer Metropolis, Capt. Brown, and the propeller Capt. J. N. Harris, Capt. Smith, bound for New-York, came in contact off Throg's Point, and the latter vessel was run down and sunk. The propeller had in tow a schooner, which she had taken from Port Jefferson, L. I., and was bound to Port Morris, with a cargo of stone, and had on board her captain, mate, and a crew of seven, all told. She was very heavily laden with an assorted cargo of merchandise, consisting of molasses, hardware, dry goods, thirty tons of pig iron, cotton, hay, beer, lime, tar, etc., etc., valued in all at about $20,000, and consigned to various parties throughout New-England.

The tow, on an usual mooring, with the propeller, at 9 o'clock, began drifting, was 60 miles west of New-Haven, midway between Falkland Island and New-Haven. The Captain was himself at the wheel, and another person with him. Two others were on deck—one on the look-out forward, and the other aft. The propeller had her head light hoisted, and also the customary one on the mizzenmast. He saw the Metropolis coming, heading west half south her usual course at this point. The propeller at this moment was heading east half north. Capt. Harris put the propeller's helm to port to pass to the south[illegible], but observing that the Metropolis changed her course to port, he stopped his engine and throwed on the steam in his steam whistle, the propeller lying perfectly still, with her head swung partly to the northward. While in this position, and within two or three minutes after the bell was struck, the propeller was struck obliquely by the cutwater of the Metropolis just forward of the pilot-house, which is nearly amidships, on the starboard side. It was bright moonlight. Every movement was perfectly discernible from the deck.

Instantly Captain Harris found the vessel sinking under him. He endeavored to spring clear of her, but found himself in the water struggling among the loose materials of his cargo and wreck. The propeller herself had disappeared. He looked hoping to see his children clinging to some fragment, but in vain. In a very few minutes he was picked up by one of the small boats of the Metropolis.

Captain Harris's children were named Jane Elizabeth and Mary Harris, and aged five, seven and nine years. They had accompanied him on a pleasure trip to the City, leaving their mother at home in New-London. The children, as most of the passengers, and the crew, were in their berths at the time.

Captain Harris had his mate on the Sound several years; he was nine years old. For several years he has been in command of vessels, but never until this year each time was with my children or impressions.

Who Were Responsible Statements.

Gerrit M. Thompson, the Chief Engineer of the propeller, who was not on duty at the time of the collision, makes the following brief statement of the affair: The first indication I had of anything wrong was the ringing of the bell in the engine-room, to shut her off. The second engineer was in charge of the engine at the time, as I had left him but a few minutes before. I was just in the act of lying down on my bed when the bell rang the first bell, and when the second bell was struck, I was in the engine-room. The second engineer had stopped one engine, and I stopped the other. It was but a very short time after this, almost immediately after the bell struck for the engines to be stopped, that the collision took place. The engines were both stopped at that time. The propeller went down immediately after the collision. The engine-room was on the third main deep, and as she struck I was thrown a window, and got over as soon as possible. I was very badly scalded by an escape of a steam from the boiler on the back of the neck. While in the water I was badly bruised about the head and body, by coming in contact with floating rubbish.

I was not aware that I had [illegible] passengers on board. The circumstance was mentioned to me yesterday, after the arrival of the Metropolis at New-York, Capt. Brown, of the steamer, took Capt. Smith, myself, the second engineer, James Flanigan, Wm. Graves, Mr. Orr, Mr. Newman and Mr. Cobb, to a clothing store and furnished each of us with a suit of clothes.

Statement of the Second Engineer of the Harris.

Mr. K. H. Ward, the second engineer of the propeller, gave the following statement to our reporter:

I had been on duty in the engine-room about ten minutes, (Mr. Thompson, the first engineer, having left the room a few minutes before and left me in charge,) when the engine bell was rung, directing the engines to be stopped and to blow off the steam. I had stopped the starboard engine and was on the point of stopping the larboard engine when Mr. Thompson returned to the engine room. I did not know any reason why we should be in duty bound when we heard the signal of the bell. A second or two after the engines were stopped I heard a crash. I stood by the lever ready to back the engine if needed. The first engineer stood close by me, and the force of it threw him back against the head of the boiler. I saw, from my position, that the forward part of the boat began to settle fast, and ran up on deck; as fast as the force part of the propeller went under water I went aft. I then raised the safety valve of the boiler, and kept it up until the water came up to my waist, when I was compelled to leave. I caught hold of the lanyard of the boat, from above me, and held on until the water came up to me. I then ran aft under the awning. As the boat went down hard down, I was washed off from under the awning. I struck out and swam out from the vessel, but before I got clear of her I was under the water some distance, and had several hard struggles. I caught at one of the topmasts of the propeller, but it drew out of my hands. After struggling four or five times I reached the surface of the water, when I succeeded in grasping the wheel of the steamboat. Fearing that the wheels would turn and injure me, I let go and clung to a piece of a mast which was floating in the water, until I was picked up by a small boat. I had nothing on me when I got on board of the steamer but my shirt, pants and boots. My head was hurt some and my legs bruised.

Everything was done by the officers and passengers of the Metropolis to recover the missing passengers and crew of the propeller, and to comfort the rescued.

Statement of William Graves.

I was a deck hand on board of the propeller *J. N. Harris*, and had left the wheel only about twenty minutes before the collision, and had gone forward, where I laid down on the forecastle deck, in the jib sheets, and was asleep at the time I heard the crash. When I heard it I first thought about going to the wheels of the steamer and clinging fast, but immediately I thought if I did I should get hurt. I gave up the idea, and thought I would take to a mast of the propeller, but at that moment I saw both masts falling. I then jumped overboard and swam to the stern of the *Metropolis*, on the port side, when some one from her deck threw overboard a swab, which I caught hold of, and was thus hauled on board and saved.

The Story as told by Capt. Brown of the Metropolis.

The story of the dreadful accident, as told by Capt. Brown, of the *Metropolis*, differs materially from the account as given by others, only on one point. He says that the propeller had no light forward. He was not at the wheel, however, at the time the signal to stop the engine was given, but was in his berth, just abaft the wheel-house. Captain William B. Lewis, the first pilot of the *Metropolis*, was on duty at the time of the collision. He has been on the line ever since it was established, and there is not, says Captain Brown, a more reliable pilot on the Sound. The Metropolis left Fall River about seven o'clock on Friday evening, for New-York, with some two or three hundred passengers. About five minutes before two o'clock Saturday morning, between Falkland Island and New Haven, the pilot saw a vessel about a point and a half on the starboard bow, which he supposed to be a schooner; she showed a very little light aft, but no head light whatever; she was heading east half north while the *Metropolis* was going west half south. When steamers meet head to head the rule is for both to put their helms to port and pass to the right, but sailing vessels must be allowed to keep their course. So supposing this to be a schooner on a free wind, the steamer's pilot kept off to the left, trying to pass on the south side, but seeing our misapprehension, tried to avoid us by changing her course to the northward. But she was too late to avoid a collision. The bell of the Metropolis was rung to stop the engines, but in about a minute we struck between her masts. I had got out of my berth and got to the window when she struck. The foremast of the propeller went on our larboard bow, and her mainmast on our starboard bow. We were probably at the time running at the rate of twelve miles an hour. I do not think we were going at a greater rate of speed than that, and must have cut a hole through the side of the propeller. It was a bright starlight night, with a light breeze on the water; but if there had been lights on the propeller, we could easily have seen her. I think our engines were reversed at the time of the collision, but am not positive as to that. The collision did not shake our boat much, and persons sleeping at night may not have been aroused by it. The only damage done to the Metropolis by the collision is the loss of her cutwater and the flag staff on her bow. She does not leak a drop on account of it, and we shall run back to Fall River tonight as usual. The live oak stem of the steamer is hardly scratched, but we may have to go dry-dock ways for repairs when it is convenient for us to do so, because the damage to the cutwater extends under water. Immediately after the collision there was some confusion on board the steamer about getting the boats over, but we had a little dinghy boat, which was ready on our quarter, in the water in about two minutes, and two others in five minutes more. The crew of the steamer threw ropes to the propeller, and saved all they could in that way; and the passengers threw over life preservers and whatever else they could lay hands on that would float. We have ten boats on board of the steamer all told. We could hear men crying and struggling in the water the moment the collision took place, and we had men in over the bows; one saved himself by climbing up the wheel, and Capt. Harris clung to the brace of the wheel. The propeller immediately sank in about fourteen or sixteen fathoms of water. After the collision we kept the steamer lying still till after daylight, with small boats out all the time looking for persons in the water. During the time the steamer drifted some distance from the place of the collision, but the boats remained hovering around the place all the time in hopes of discovering some person clinging to a floating barrel, spar, board, bale or something from the wreck, but without avail. As soon as we could see clearly we brought the steamer again to the place, which we did not dare do before for fear if we moved the wheels that we might strike and injure some one who might be in the water, or else by the riggle which it would cause, wash them from whatever they might be clinging to. We could clearly see the oil on the water as it came from the water in the wreck.

The Statement of a Passenger on the Steamer.

A passenger by the steamer *Governor* called at our office Saturday morning, and gave us the following statement of the catastrophe, the first that was published:

I was a passenger by the steamer Governor from Providence to New-York, leaving Providence at 5 o'clock P. M. Friday. At 4½ this morning I was awakened by the stopping of the steamer. I went immediately on deck to ascertain the cause, when I saw we were lying near a large steamer, which proved to be the Metropolis. Her engine was also stopped. There were floating about us what were evidently materials of some wreck, which had disappeared under the water—pillows and bedding, boxes, oars, lumber, and various fragments of the vessel. On the Metropolis the officers and passengers were running about as if greatly excited, and on getting near enough to speak the steamer, the Captain of the Governor inquired of Captain Brown, of the *Metropolis*, what had happened. Captain Brown informed us that about 3 o'clock this (Saturday) morning, while opposite New-Haven, the *Metropolis* had run down a propeller, sinking her immediately, and that some thirteen persons had been drowned, among whom were five lady passengers. Seven persons only had been saved; he had had boat immediately lowered away, and every exertion had been made to rescue the crew and passengers. They were still searching about in the neighborhood of the disaster, and among the floating materials of the wreck, to discover, if possible, any other persons who might be still alive. The propeller was ascertained to be the *J. N. Harris*, Captain Smith, running between New-York and New-London. The night was perfectly clear, and moonlight brightly, and there was no haze or [illegible] observation. The propeller was bound [illegible] and the *Metropolis* to New-York, they passing [illegible], and from some (at present unexplained) cause [illegible] into collision, the *Metropolis* striking her [illegible], and passing completely over the propeller fore and aft. The passengers were, of course, all asleep below, and were instantly crushed by the concussion or drowned without a moment's warning. Those saved, as near as I could learn, were mostly the crew, who were on deck at the time. The yawl boat of the *Metropolis* was lowered away, and the seven persons, (all that survived,) picked up. I did not learn the names of those saved, nor the number of passengers there was on board.

Death from Excitement on the Metropolis.

Among the passengers on the *Metropolis* was Mr. George Taffan, a merchant of New Bedford, and a man of considerable property. He has been subject to fits, and was on his way with his wife to visit the South for his health. When the disaster occurred he was very much excited, and, after making some inquiries, he fell backwards in an apoplectic fit and expired almost instantly. Dr. Mowbray, of Islip, L. I., was on board, and was called immediately. He examined the man and gave the following certificate:

Steamer Metropolis, Long Island Sound, Saturday, Aug. 15, 1857.

This is to certify that George Taffan, of New-Bedford, Mass., died on board the steamer Metropolis, on the 15th of August, 1857. Disease, apoplexy.

J. W. Mowbray, M. D., of Islip, L. I.

The body was kept on board of the steamer during the day (yesterday), and placed in a handsome coffin, which was inclosed in a pine box, and in this manner taken back to New-Bedford by the same boat Saturday evening by his wife.

Meeting of Passengers of the Metropolis.

After the first alarm of the accident had somewhat subsided on board the steamer, the shock of course having awakened all the sleepers and brought every one on deck, a meeting was extemporized, Rev. Rufus W. Clark, of the South Congregational Church, Brooklyn, being called to the chair, and a Committee appointed to collect funds to relieve, in some measure, the more pressing wants of the sufferers who were saved from the wreck, and also for the benefit of the families of those who were lost.

The following gentlemen were then appointed as the Committee: Lowell Mason, Jr., New-York; Rev. R. W. Clark, Brooklyn; W. P. Jones, Portsmouth, N. H.; J. K. Frothingham, Boston.

These gentlemen at once proceeded to the duties imposed upon them by their fellow passengers, and collected by subscription the sum of *Four Hundred and Eighty-five Dollars*—a very handsome sum to be realized from the persons on board the steamer.

The Committee will take charge of any further donations that the citizens of New-York or other benevolent persons may be disposed to forward them for the purpose of affording relief to these very distressing cases of suffering.

Interesting Incidents.

Capt. Smith of the Propeller.

Captain Brown, of the *Metropolis*, and Smith, of the *J. N. Harris*, have been intimate friends since boyhood.

Captain Smith has been particularly unfortunate. The last propeller was commanded about two years since by his father, Jonathan, who was then nearly 70 years of age. While proceeding to New-London she grounded on Norwich Bar, and was got off only after great difficulty. Captain Smith so overworked himself on the occasion, and was so troubled with anxiety that he fell sick and died in a day or two afterwards, by what was termed to be cholera.

His son, the present Captain Smith, then took charge of the propeller, in which he had an interest of $3,500. We learn that within a few years past he has lost nine children,—six by sickness, and three by the accident yesterday. One yet survives, an infant, who is in New-London with its mother, who is not in good health. Capt. Smith is about 45 years of age. He wrote the following card to be published:

The subscriber takes this opportunity to express to the passengers on board the steamer *Metropolis*, his sincere thanks for their kindness, sympathy and aid extended to him and his fellow-sufferers on the night of the loss of the propeller *J. N. Harris*. Also, to the captain and crew of the *Metropolis*, for their exertions to save life at the time of the collision, and kindness to the survivors. LEONARD SMITH,
Master Propeller *J. N. Harris*.

Mr. A. W. Smith's Family.

Mr. A. W. Smith, whose wife and little daughter were lost, lives at No. 181 Concord-street, Brooklyn, and does business at No. 95 Chatham-street, New-York. He has five children still living, three girls and two boys. The eldest is a daughter 19 years of age. Harriet Amelia, who was with her mother, was eleven years of age and was a very intelligent and interesting child. Mrs. Smith was 41 years of age, and, with her husband, was a member of Rev. H. W. Beecher's Church, and was very much esteemed. She was going on a visit to her sister, Mrs. John Marlin, of Cincinnati, who is temporarily sojourning at New-London. They passed the evening very pleasantly, the party enjoying themselves in conversation, while the children amused themselves with play until about 9 o'clock. The night was clear and moonlight, and there was not wind enough to produce any sea or cause any perceptible motion to the vessel. The passengers had all retired before 11 o'clock, and were sleeping soundly when the fatal collision occurred. None of the children, so far as was known were roused from their slumbers, and must have passed almost unconsciously through death. When the crash roused Mr. Smith, he heard his wife, who was in an opposite berth, inquiring "what was the matter?" He replied he "did not know," and at the instant was on the cabin floor, looking for a way to get out on deck; the door had been firmly jammed by the concussion, and was fast; a man had already broken out the skylight, and was crawling up through it; he was followed by another, whom Mr. Smith was obliged to assist up; he then sprang up through the same opening, and found the vessel sinking down forward under water—he was already up to his neck in water, and had to struggle hard to escape from under the awning which was carrying him down. Had the vessel remained two minutes longer above water he says he could have rescued his family. He swam about among the floating rubbish until he found his strength failing him, when he called out to the steamer, and in another moment he was picked up and taken on board of her. The boiler and machinery of the propeller (as all left, which caused her to sink stern first, thus the cabin was the first part submerged, which, together with the doors being fast, made it impossible to escape. Their object in going by the propeller, Mr. Smith says, was to afford his family a night's rest on the Sound, and to save his friends the inconvenience of receiving them at midnight, which is the hour of the steamer's arrival at New-London.

Mr. Smith went to New-London with the Captain of the propeller, to relate the sad event to his friends, and also with the future hope of learning that his children may have been found floating upon pieces of the wreck, or that he might hear something encouraging from.

A thrilling incident is related by an eye-witness of the disaster. A woman holding an infant in her arms was thrown overboard by the water. A rope was thrown to her which she could have easily clutched and saved her life, by placing her hold of her infant; the instant it touched water upon the steamer called out to her to move forward by laying hold of the rope; she saw it—felt it within her reach, but her mother's heart triumphed over the instinct of self-preservation; she would not relinquish the child, but pressing it closer to her breast, they sank together.

The clerk of the propeller stated that his wife was sick, and went to New-London yesterday in the steamer Connecticut, by which means his life was probably saved. He is supposed to have the freight list in his possession—hence it is impossible to publish it complete at present.

Mr. Benjamin Franklin, the pilot of the propeller, saves a wife and son in New-London.

The Daughter of Mr. Gordon.

The young lady passenger referred to as Miss Gordon, was Miss Louisa Robinson, a step-daughter of Mr. Graham Gordon, of No. 37 Catharine-street, and was a little over 24 years of age. She was a member of the Allen-street Presbyterian Church, and was a most accomplished and beautiful young lady. She was the principal soprano singer in the choir of the Episcopal Church in Jersey-City, and has left a large circle of friends and acquaintances, by whom she was held in the highest esteem. This family have lost five out of seven children, and are in the greatest affliction at this last and heaviest bereavement.

The church being closed Miss Robinson was employing her vacation in visiting her friends. She had just returned from week's sojourn at Troy, and was going to see her sisters in New-London.

Captain Harris being an acquaintance of Mr. Gordon's, (who by the way is a native of New-London, and very well known there,) preferred to entrust his daughter to Capt. Harris's keeping, and for the reason, also, that she would arrive at a seasonable hour in the morning to meet her friends. Mr. Gordon is employed in the Warehouse Department of the Custom House. The first intimation he had that his daughter was lost, was a messenger calling at his place of business, and informing him that there had been an accident on the Sound, that a propeller had been run down, and many lives lost. On learning that it was a New-London propeller, the startling thought occurred to him that his daughter was drowned, and he hastened down to the *Metropolis* to learn the facts. Here he met Capt. Smith, who was giving his statement of the events. Mr. Gordon walked into the cabin of the *Metropolis*, and approached with an agitated manner. "How do you do, Mr. Gordon?" said the Captain extending his hand, and at the same time averting his face. The old gentleman took the proffered hand, and said in a tremulous voice: "I came to ask about my daughter—is she alive or not?" "She is gone," said the Captain. "Oh! my God!" he exclaimed, as he burst into tears. There were no dry eyes in that cabin.

Afterwards the Captain said to our reporter: "She was a beautiful girl, a noble woman. Mr. Gordon gave her into my charge only yesterday afternoon, to take her to her friends in New London, but now she has gone with my children."

The scene at the house of Mr. Gordon, when the sad intelligence reached the bereaved mother, was most affecting. This daughter, so suddenly snatched away, was the pride of the family circle, and was greatly beloved. The mother was inconsolable, and gave vent to her grief in most bitter cries and lamentations; the father also wept like a child, and said it was the greatest affliction that he had ever suffered.

No immediate preparations will be made for the funeral, as Mr. Gordon is in hopes that by the efforts of Mr. E. H. Rockwell, the Agent, who has gone to New-London for the purpose, arrangements will be soon made to ascertain the position of the wreck, and that the bodies of the lost will then be discovered. It is understood a diving bell will be employed for this purpose.

Funeral of Policeman Jarboe.

The funeral of Walter S. Jarboe, the Seventh Ward policeman, who so suddenly disappeared about a week since, and whose body was found a few days afterwards in the Bay, near Fort Hamilton, took place at 2½ o'clock yesterday afternoon, from his residence, No. 204 Madison-street. The occasion drew together an immense number of people. The religious exercises were conducted by Rev. Charles J. Jones, of the Mariners' Church in Madison-street, Rev. Mr. Haweeis, of whose church Mr. Jarboe was for more than twenty years a member, being unable to attend from indisposition. Rev. Mr. Jones then began by reading the 9th chapter of Ecclesiastes, dwelling especially on the 12th verse—"For man also knoweth not his time: as the fishes are taken in an evil net, and as the birds that are caught in the snare, so are the sons of man snared in an evil time, when it falleth suddenly upon them"—upon which he based his address—a brief one. He set forth the lesson which such an event should teach—the lesson of life's uncertainty—but all such events were in the hands of God, in whose presence the mourners and the mourned would be trust meet, never be trusted to be again separated. Before closing, the reverend gentleman signified his intention to deliver a funeral sermon on the deceased at his church in Madison street on Sunday evening next.

The coffin was then conveyed to the hearse—a large open one drawn by four black horses. The hearse and the horses were heavily plumed. Members of the present and old Police Force of the Seventh Ward, with both of whom Mr. Jarboe had been associated, formed in front. The "Oceanic Guard," a military organization of young men, of which the eldest son of deceased is captain, followed after, and next a large number of citizens. Members of an Odd Fellow's Lodge, to which Mr. Jarboe belonged, also took part in the obsequies. This procession on foot was followed by 54 vehicles, all filled. The route taken was down Madison to Market street, up Market-street to East Broadway, down East Broadway to Chatham-street, through Chatham-street to Park-row, to Broadway, and through Broadway to the Hamilton ferry and thence across to Greenwood Cemetery, where the body was interred. The cortege attracted great attention, being one of the largest seen in the City for a long time.

Mr. Jarboe was about 45 years of age. He was born in Baltimore, Maryland, and followed the sea for many years. He settled down in the Seventh Ward of this City many years since, working as a rigger. He subsequently served as a member of the old Police Department, but resigned this position not long before its disbandment. Not many weeks since he was appointed on the new Police, and served thereon until a few days previous to his sudden disappearance, when he was assaulted on his beat in the vicinity of Catharine-street, and terribly beaten about the head by a gang of ruffians, who had previously threatened to "fix him off" for acting upon the Black Republican Police. He was confined to his house for many days thereafter, and acted afterwards most strangely. On the day of his disappearance he left his house, saying that as he had recovered he would go to the Station-house to report himself for duty. But he did not go to the Station and was never seen alive again by his friends. The body when found at Bay Ridge was not recognized, and after an inquest had been held upon it, was interred as that of an unknown man. But from certain articles found in his pockets and from the clothing, which was kept by the Coroner for identification, it was recognized as that of Mr. Jarboe. It was thereupon disinterred and taken to this City.

Mr. Jarboe was, for a time, detailed at the Essex Market Police Court. He was extremely popular with his brother officers, as well as with all who knew him. His wife, a man of very steady habits, and (as already stated) was, for upwards of twenty years, a member of Dr. Hawkes's Church, where, also, his wife worshipped. He leaves a wife and three sons.

It is only a few weeks since that the body of another Policeman of the Seventh Ward was found in the river, and the manner of his death has never been learned.

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Affairs in Valparaiso—Commercial and Political Relations of Chile.

Correspondence of the *New-York Daily Times*.

Valparaiso, Tuesday, June 30, 1857.

The semi-monthly steamers from the Isthmus being yet prevented on account of bad weather from their usual arrival, leaving you yesterday on the opening of the Chilian Congress, or of the assembling of Congress, I thought that a few words of the 1st instant and importance of our commercial and political relations with our sister republics of the southern continent. We are accustomed to speak of Chili and Peru as distant and disregarded nations, whose political security interests us, and whose commerce is too limited to attract the attention of our merchants, and it will surprise many to learn that the commercial movements of this republic amount to some $10,000,000 per annum.

Chili, a republic of some one and a half millions of inhabitants, is making gigantic strides in the path of progress, and her railroads, telegraphs, municipal improvements and public works are worthy an older and wealthier nation. Some forty miles of the railroad between the port of Valparaiso and the Capital, Santiago, are in profitable operation, and the humanizing and progressive influence of the magnetic wire and the rail, is daily more evident in the history of the country.

Valparaiso, its commercial capital and chief port, a city of some eighty thousand souls, is situated upon the borders of a semi circular bay of two and a half miles in diameter, presenting to the approaching visitor one of the most striking panoramic views of the American coast. The chain of hills, forming its background, rise in graceful curves, broken here and there by huge quebradas, cleaving them to their very centers. Between the bases of these almost perpendicular rocks and the sea, at the west end of the city lies a narrow belt of ground, every foot of which has been economized, for building purposes, the very sidewalks being taxed to add to the scanty territory. Hills, quebradas and plain are covered thickly with dwellings, dotting the landscape with a variety of effect at once novel and picturesque. Here, upon the margin of the sea, are the Custom House, with its eight blocks of massive public stores, the Post-Office, the "Paseo" or Intendencia, the Telegraph Office, the Exchange, and the wholesale and importing houses, substantial, well-built edifices, that would do honor even to Wall-street. This is "par excellence" the "*Port*." Turning eastward, threading the crowded and narrow street that follows the curve of the Bay, and passing the *Cuatro de Octubre* or *Cape Horn*, where the primitive hay thrust man and his constructiveness aside, and planted its foot almost within the surf, we come to the *Almendral*, a broad, triangular plain of sand, a few years since the ocean's bed, whereon now rest a thousand houses, almost exclusively private dwellings, with here and there a church or a monastery, lifting its spire or belfry above general uniformity of corrugated roof of tile. This portion of Valparaiso, which some sixty years ago was sold for two thousand dollars, could not now be purchased for millions. The streets are well paved, gas lighted, and a numerous and efficient police force of mounted and foot soldiers renders it one of the safest and pleasantest cities of this part of the world.

The press of Valparaiso is most worthily represented by the *Mercurio* and the *Diario*, the former the opposition sheet; the latter semi-official, and although united with ability, somewhat too moderate and waiting in independence. The *Mercurio*, edited by Señor Nadal, is a frank, independent and liberal paper, opposed to the centralizing tendencies of the Government—to the union of Church and State—to the growing influence of the Jesuits, and to all that may retard for a single day the forward movement of Chili among nations. At once feared and respected by the Government, which, to speak truly, is less Republican in nature than in name, this one paper has done more for the political progress of Chili in the three years of its present editorship than her legislators in ten. Nor has this been accomplished without toil and prejudice. Prosecution, fine and imprisonment have more than once been the reward of bold opinion, too freely uttered for the refined ear of power; but *magna est veritas*, and the *Mercurio* of Valparaiso may be said to have conquered the proud position of the first paper in South America. I regret, however, to remark in its columns occasional letters from New-York, over the signature of *P. P. Ortiz*, giving one-sided and unjust, not to say injurious impressions of our national character and manners. The evident ignorance of the writer is his best apology, yet he at times permits his pen most unwarrantable license. His last letter, published in the *Mercurio* of June 12, treating of the lately appointed Minister to Chili, Ex-Governor Bigler, of California, is guilty of the following language * * * "What may we say of the tigers and wolves charged with missions to South America—of the Bailies and the Peytons? According to reliable authority, Hon. Mr. Bigler, who is about to replace Mr. Starkweather at Santiago, (who has perhaps been an honorable exception,) is not precisely one of those persons who is called, in American parlance, a political roughy, one who makes his fortune at the public hustings, not so much by eloquence and character, as by strength of lung and muscle; but his antecedents, if not dishonorable, at least show him to be a man of little culture or social standing." This gratuitous slander upon a very worthy and amiable gentleman, printed and indorsed by no high authority, but a few weeks prior to his arrival at his post, is calculated to produce a most unfavorable impression regarding our representative.

The inefficient mail service of the Pacific Steam Navigation Company cries out to our Government for relief. The British mail steamers between Panama and Valparaiso, bringing the English mails with unfailing regularity, make the connection with the American (California) line from New-York so irregularly that it is a common occurrence for the semi-monthly steamer to arrive without a solitary letter or paper from the United States; while the English merchants receive their correspondence punctually the 8th and 23d of each month. To the traveler or the man of leisure this is sufficiently annoying; to the man of business it is an incalculable disadvantage. The evil is too self-evident to need extended comment. It has perhaps received the earnest attention of the Home Government, and we little heard of Americans are awaking with indescribable eagerness for the establishment of the contemplated American Line. Lest I be accused of exaggeration I will mention that since the middle of May we have received but one American mail in place of *three* due. Let me illustrate the effects of this uncertainty. In advance of the Government statistics I have been favored with the following table of exports for 1856, which I have reduced to dollars for more facile comprehension, using Custom House valuation:

Exportation of Chile during 1856, to

	England.	France.	Germ'y.	Ua'd Sta's.
Coin	$[illegible]	$[illegible]	——	——
Silver Bars	1,[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	——
Crude Silver	[illegible]	11,[illegible]	[illegible]	——
Silver m'n'd with Copper	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	——
Copper Bars	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Impure Copper	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Copper Ore	1,117,[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Totals	$[illegible]	$[illegible]	$[illegible]	$[illegible]
Total Exports				$[illegible]

From whence it will be seen that while England, France and Germany received, thanks to a reliable and punctual steam communication, $[illegible] in precious metals alone from Chili, not one dollar of coin nor one bar of silver reached the United States, almost the only exports to which being in copper and the ores, which were taken to the Atlantic States in 12,000 tons, rather than return home in ballast. Besides copper, there sent to the United States 1,[illegible] pounds of wool, valued at $[illegible], and 1,[illegible] packs

LATEST INTELLIGENCE

By Telegraph to the N. Y. Daily Times.

Magnetic Telegraph Co.'s Office—48 Walnut and 30 Dominick.

FROM WASHINGTON.

Boundaries Between Costa Rica and Nicaragua—The New-Granada Difficulties—The New Russian Tariff, &c.

Special Dispatch to the New-York Daily Times.

Washington, Sunday, Aug. 16.

Mr. Corrales, United States Commercial Agent at San Juan, has communicated to the Government important particulars as to the treaty of boundaries between Costa Rica and Nicaragua. It is understood that which this Government tried to make to effect. No objection can be made to it, or to the new grant of the Transit Route, unless it is based on the right of conquest.

Everything is settled as to New-Granada, except the cession of territory to the United States. This Government will only ask for a qualified jurisdiction over the Island of Taboga. Gen. Herran does not object, nor does the British Minister. The tonnage and tax questions are settled. The Treaty will abrogate these impositions. [illegible]

[FROM WASHINGTON AS THE ASSOCIATED PRESS.]

Washington, Sunday, Aug. 16.

Chief Engineer Ellet, and Assistant Engineers Perry, Ramsay, Bury, Lenox, Dorlandt and Sonnar, are ordered to the steamer Arctic, now preparing for the Pacific Squadron in Philadelphia.

Commander Tomlinson has been detached from Portsmouth, N. H., and Commander Rowan is appointed as his successor.

Official dispatches received at the State Department speak in favorable terms of the manufacturing interests of the new Russian Tariff, saying the commencement of its operations shows evidence that the present Emperor entertains views different from his predecessor, and adds a hope that other impositions upon any Foreign Books in all languages are duty free, subject only to the usual constantly.

Russian subjects living in foreign countries can now travel for five years with a reduction in the passport fees.

Fatal Explosion of a Powder Magazine.

Halifax, Friday, Aug. 14.

The merchants powder magazine containing the whole stock of powder in Halifax, exploded with a terrific concussion shortly after midnight, [illegible]. One man was killed and three others were more or less injured. Five houses were demolished and several damaged. The Government magazine and the New Barracks were much shattered, and nearly all the windows in the northern part of the city were broken. The damages are estimated at $100,000. The magazine is supposed to have been fired by an incendiary. For hours the excitement was intense, many persons had been thrown from their beds, and others bewildered, rushed to the streets for safety, believing an earthquake had occurred.

More Indian Outrages.

St. Louis, Saturday, Aug. 15.

Advices from Fort Kearney state that a party of nineteen drovers, charged with upwards of [illegible] head of cattle, destined for the branch of the Utah Expedition, were attacked twenty one miles above the fort on the 1st inst. by a party of 150 Cheyennes.

All the cattle and twenty-one mules were run off, and one man was killed, and another severely wounded. Three of the Indians were slain. Colonel Sumner had started in pursuit of the Indians.

Railroad Disaster.

Albany, Saturday, Aug. 15.

A fatal accident occurred on the Albany and Northern Railroad, near West Troy, this morning. The axle of an engine broke, upsetting the locomotive, and the engineer and fireman are supposed to have been killed. The particulars of the accident have not yet been received.

Boston, Saturday, Aug. 15.

A railroad tie was placed upon the track of the Belvidere and Delaware Railroad, a short distance below Easton, last night, throwing the Express train off the track and doing considerable damage to the engine and the track. Fortunately the train was moving slow, and no one was injured. Every effort is being made to discover the perpetrators of the outrage.

Explosion at the Gas Works, Baltimore.

Baltimore, Sunday, Aug. 16.

An explosion occurred at the Gas Works, in this City this afternoon. The result was that the roof of the purifying house was blown off. Two men were knocked down, but fortunately no one was killed.

Fire at Point Levi, Opposite Quebec.

Quebec, Saturday, Aug. 15.

An incendiary last night fired some wooden buildings in Point Levi, opposite this city, and twenty of them were destroyed.

Trial Trip of the Yacht McFarland.—At 9 o'clock on Saturday morning the new yacht McFarland was slipped from her Pier, No. 41 North River, and proceeded on a trial trip down the lower bay, with a fine breeze from the northwest. She rounded the southwest spit buoy, returned to the City and thence to the Hoboken shore. She was built in New-York, and is owned by Mr. Daniel Messenger.

State Affairs of Wisconsin.

The Madison papers contain a communication from Attorney General Smith, addressed to Governor Barstow of the Board of School Land Commissioners, in which it appears that a sale of School Lands, ordered at the strongly held sale, at Chilton, by H. C. Hansen, could have been thwarted by the Commissioners, and Hansen stated that Low, the instrument of Governor, had the day before the sale, and while his purchase money was being tendered, Hansen, locked up the doors to prevent purchasers from paying. He was remonstrated with to no purpose, and Mr. Hansen then attempted to shove him one side, whereupon Low struck at Hansen, and Hansen immediately struck Mr. Low once or twice in the face. The money was immediately scooped from the table by the Treasurer, and the Commissioners retreated from the gathering mob to the basement of the house. D. Van Valkenburg and Wm. Grover, of Manitowoc, have assured the Commissioners that they could rely upon the assistance of forty persons from the adjoining counties to keep the mob in check, whereupon they hastily closed up their business, and left for Fond du Lac. Hansen's indignation seems to have been based upon the supposition that speculators were there to cover his position on the sale of the lands; but it appears that the only opposition to an actual bidder was by Hansen himself, who over-bid a poor Norwegian, and purchased his land from under him.

THE SCIENTIFIC CONVENTION.

[illegible] Light—The Recovery—Sun—Coast [illegible] Section A—Geology—Section B—Chemistry—Section C—Dual Vision—Section D—Mechanics—Section E—Natural History—Section F—Statistics.

Correspondence of the New-York Daily Times.

MONTREAL, Thursday, Aug. 13, 1857.

SECOND DAY.—Morning session.—The weather has changed to-day; we have all "got a better day," as Captain LAND said. The rain came down in torrents, and there is no postponement on account of the weather; and at 10 o'clock the meeting is opened by the Vice-President. The first business was the election of officers, which had been prepared by the Standing Committee, and was done at a blow. The Chairman then gave notice that the address of the retiring President, Professor HALL, would be given this evening at Concert Hall, where the office of the Natural History Society is also to be. A further notice was given that twenty minutes had been allotted to Dr. HAYS at the beginning of the next general meeting, to enable him to present his views in relation to the survey of which he is a member, which, general it have some connection with the laws of traveling whirlwinds.

The Chairman then read the following resolution of the Standing Committee: that the meetings should commence hereafter at 10 A. M. to 2 P. M., and that there should be a general meeting of the Association at 4 P. M.

The Chairman suggested to the members the propriety of submitting their reports of progress on these [illegible] Application to [illegible] number of the Association, who are always ready to look over such reports, his suggestion [illegible] adopted.

The general meeting then adjourned to to-morrow at 4 P. M.

The President, PITTMAN, was present at the meeting to-day. He distinguished a small cough, perhaps, to have assisted the attendance of the Association; but he appeared only in the character of an observer.

SECTION A.

The Section on Mathematics, Physics and Chemistry was unable to order some afterwards in the Superior Court room, by Professor BACHE, when Professor ALEXANDER, of Princeton, was chosen temporary chairman for the day.

The Chairman announced as the first paper to be read this morning, one by Capt. CHAS WILKES, U. S. N., "On the Zodiacal Light." The Captain, in the absence of printed diagrams—which had not arrived as expected—had drawn rough substitutes for them upon the blackboard, which served to illustrate the subject much more clearly to the spectator than can be done by mere verbal explanations. In the outset he stated that the suggestions he had to present were the result of numerous observations taken during the operations of the United States Exploring Expedition in the South Seas several years ago, and that the conclusions to which he had arrived then were subsequently confirmed by more recent observations. I present with a very brief synopsis of the Captain's views of fact and theory.

All the observations made on the Zodiacal Light, since it first attracted attention, (nearly two centuries ago,) prove that its phases and general appearance have not changed. The theories which have been entertained of this light are various. Some derive it from the atmosphere of the sun—holding that it is illuminated matter thrown off from its equator, revolving with immense velocity, which takes a particular shape. Others have held that it is a nebulous ring, with the sun for its centre, extending near to or beyond the earth's orbit. Another hypothesis supposes that this nebulous ring has the Earth for its centre; and still others surmise that this phenomenon is nebulous matter floating in space, to which the periodical showers of stars may be traced, as the Earth passes in its orbit to pass through or encounter them. It seems impossible to reconcile any of these hypotheses or surmises with the facts which close observation have developed. They fail to satisfy us of their correctness, as they are seen perceived to be inconsistent with well ascertained facts.

The Zodiacal Light, when first visible on a clear horizon, appears as a semi circular arc, with 60 or 100 miles, well-defined and distinct to the eye, though no two persons could trace the same outline of it. As it increases in magnitude, this semi circular arc elongates upwards, in successive altitudes, sometimes to the altitude of 90°. When it has attained its highest point, the diffused light becomes visible, extending on each side over a large area, until lost in the obscurity of night. It is totally different from the extended light of sunset, with crepuscular rays, or the diffused light of twilight. When it becomes visible, it continues so, gradually lessening in height, until the whole is lost beneath the horizon. Its apex is always coincident in the ecliptic, to the east or west of the sun, usually at the distance of 800 to 900, but at times, under favorable circumstances, it is seen to extend as far as 110 degrees.

The evening and morning Zodiacal Light in the same latitude do not correspond in phase or azimuth. This, though among the remarkable facts it exhibits, has never been taken into consideration in any of the theories hitherto advanced. Its peculiar phase and the constant change of azimuth and inclination, whether the observer remains stationary for any time or varies his position in latitude, should satisfy every one, that it cannot be far removed from the earth. Attentive and close observation, shows that its variations in azimuth correspond to the regular changes of the plane of the ecliptic with the observer's horizon, or with the vertical line passing through his zenith. Its phases will be seen to be dependent upon the latitude. The analogues of the light and its extent and its phenomenon to be applied to the observer's position on the earth. Within the tropics, and when the ecliptic is perpendicular to the horizon, the zodiacal light is seen to assume a regular column having its sides nearly as vertical. Without the tropics it will always seem very much inclined to the horizon, and then assumes the appearance of a cone, cut more or less obliquely by the horizon. By reference to the diagrams the Captain showed the appearance of the morning and the evening zodiacal light on the same day, in corresponding North and South latitudes, though not in the same meridian, from which it was apparent that the cones exhibit as opposite inclinations. These diagrams prove more conclusively that it must be the same object seen from positions to the east and west of the ecliptic, and that the phenomenon must have its locality within the tropics.

After some further statements showing the marked difference between the morning and evening Zodiacal Light, Captain WILKES thus condensed his statement of the facts derived from his observations.

1. The Zodiacal Light occupies a constant relative position in the plane of the ecliptic, preceding or following the sun.

2. Its vertical line is parallel with and coincides with the ecliptic.

3. Its apex varies in distance 60° to 110° from the sun. Its height above the horizon seldom exceeds 60°.

4. Its extent changes with the sun, and with the observer's position on the earth.

5. Its inclination alters with the position of the observer in latitude, from the vertical down to an acute angle with the horizon.

6. The morning and evening Zodiacal Light are different in phase, color, altitude, and inclination, depending upon the angle subtended between the observer's horizon and the plane of the ecliptic.

7. Its apex lies always south of the zenith when the observer is north of the ecliptic, and north of the zenith when he is to the south of the ecliptic.

8. When the ecliptic passes through the zenith of the observer, the column of light is vertical to the horizon; it then assumes the appearance of a narrow bank, with a well defined apex.

9. Even when in the plane of the ecliptic, the Zodiacal Light exhibits a broader phase, but less in altitude than when under it.

10. The Zodiacal Light is never seen until the sun has set and twilight ended, or until all reflected light is cut off; therefore, visibility depends upon the contrast under it.

11. Owing to the length of twilight, the Zodiacal Light is seldom ever near the Reading parallel. The limiting parallels vary with the sun's declination.

12. The sun's rays falling perpendicularly on the atmosphere within the tropics, are not reflected; consequently, at some seasons there is either no twilight, or very little.

These facts go to prove that this phenomenon is the result of reflection of the solar rays on the atmosphere or portions of the earth's atmosphere, on which the rays of light fall perpendicularly. It will readily be conceived that rays of light will illuminate a column or portion of atmosphere on which they may fall, when not reflected or diffusive light interferes to prevent its being visible. To illustrate: If the direct rays of the sun are admitted through a hole in a shutter into a darkened room, the atmosphere and the particles floating in it become as visible and distinct when all other light is cut off, as any well-defined object. It is this which we believe takes place when the rays of the sun fall perpendicularly on our atmosphere, and produces such an effect which becomes visible upon the earth's surface when this column is above the horizon, within the limiting parallels, and after the twilight has ceased. The whole earth is constantly exposed to and revolves in the sun's rays. A part of these rays only fall perpendicularly on our atmosphere, while all others strike it obliquely, are reflected and refracted off into space. As the earth revolves, this column in succession of the atmosphere which lies in the ecliptic or earth's orbit becomes illuminated in succession, and thus appears permanently attendant on the sun. It is in this section of zone which is visible when all reflected light is cut off, and has been named the Zodiacal Light. This theory seems to account for all the phenomena which the Zodiacal Light exhibits.

As the column or cone of illuminated atmosphere has apparently a visible [illegible] in the heavens, along a parallel with the sun, both preceding and following the sun, it has occurred to me to suppose that it may be connected with the Gegenschein. A moment's reflection satisfies me that this phenomenon is not produced in the same way with the starry heavens, which, though it may produce the same effect, still we are only able to explain this similar description by proving, as we have done by attentive observation, that it is of this Earth, or closely connected with it, from its constantly undergoing great changes in azimuth, phase, inclination and altitude, as well to a stationary observer as to one who is passing over the Earth's surface from North to South, and vice versa. If it were distant or of heavenly origin, this would not be the case, as there rapid changes could not then take place. Therefore we are compelled to admit that we are deceived, and that its locality must be in the atmosphere surrounding this globe, and be an illuminated section of it which becomes visible as soon as twilight ceases and darkness ensues. That it lies between us and the milky way is evident, for when bright it nearly obscures that starry nebula. This theory is in strict accordance with all the observations yet made.

Now it may be understood how all bodies giving sufficient light to illuminate the atmosphere by perpendicular rays may produce an effect similar to the Zodiacal Light, though in a much less degree. A corresponding appearance has been seen to accompany the sun and moon, when at rising and at its setting. Capt. WILKES attributes the phenomenon noticed by the Officers of the Japan Expedition, leading him to conclude that they were produced by the morning and evening Zodiacal Lights visible at the same moment.

This paper was listened to with profound attention, interesting the scientific, as well as the Association—its interesting statements and theories being so illustrated as to be quite simple to all. Professor OLMSTEAD followed with a few remarks upon the importance of the observations on the same subject made by Rev. Mr. JONES, of the Japan Expedition, who during the last year had been upon the peaks of the Andes, gathering new facts and testing still additional observations, the results of which, he understood, would be presented soon.

The President announced that Mr. JONES' paper would be the first in order to-morrow morning.

The next paper read was "On the vibrations of the fall over the dam at Holyoke, Mass.," by E. S. SNELL, consisting of notes of the rapidity of these vibrations under different circumstances, and suggestions as to their manner of production. The technicalities in which the simple facts were clothed rendered it impossible to take sufficient notes for an intelligent presentation of the author's views,—the general idea of which seemed to be that the vibrations represented by the column of air between the dam and the stream being acted upon by the falling body of water so as to produce something the effect of air forced through an organ pipe.

Dr. WILCOX, of Albany, deemed the paper one of much interest. A number of years ago he lived in a house distant an eighth of a mile from a fall in Catskill Creek, and had noticed that at times the vibrations were so great as to shake the earth, and make everything loose in the house to rattle. He had attempted no scientific examination of the subject, but thought it presented opportunity for valuable and interesting investigation. His own idea had been that the phenomenon was the effect of the body of water falling upon the strata of rocks.

Professor HITCHCOCK, of Amherst, described the appearance of the Holyoke dam in the early morning, when the sun falls upon it, as very beautiful; the alternating vibrations in its different sections having the effect of changing the light of the sun as it flashed accordingly, at one instant appearing, another disappearing, and again returning in all its glory. The effect he described as similar to that presented by the lights of a city suddenly extinguished, and as suddenly reproduced.

The next paper was entitled, "Notes on the Measurement of a Base for the Primary Triangulation of the Eastern Section of the Coast of the United States on Epping Plains, Maine, by A. D. BACHE, Superintendent of Coast Survey." The following is an abstract, given in the first person for convenience. The necessity of a base of verification in the eastern extremity of the primary triangulation in Section 1 of the Coast, was commenced by CHARLES O. BOUTELLE, Esq., and Major HENRY PRINCE, U. S. A.—Assistants in the Coast Survey, in 1855, and continued through 1854 and 1856.

The absence of long and straight beaches on this coast rendered it absolutely necessary to look for an inferior site. The reconnoissance resulted in the selection of Epping Plains, Penobscot County, Maine, as the most suitable site for the purpose, considering the character of the ground itself, and the facility of connecting the ends of the base with the primary triangulation.

In 1855 I examined the site and took steps to obtain the necessary estimate of the cost of preparing it for measurement. The whole length of the line is about 6719 metres or 3.4 miles. Its general direction is E. 41°, N. (true bearing.) From the eastern end for about 3 miles the plain is quite level, rising in the last mile nearly regularly about fifteen feet, descending nearly as much in the next, to rise by the same quantity in the third mile. It then runs along an elevated level for a fourth of a mile, and descends gradually to the rougher parts of the base; which is included between the ¾ mile from the east end and western end of the base.

This line was skilfully graded by Mr. BOUTELLE, so as to follow the natural surface where the grade did not run above three degrees, and to give as long slopes as possible of the same grade for the convenience of measuring.

The grading party consisted of the farmers and lumbermen of the district who served with great cheerfulness and skill in the use of the heavy implements for rough grading. One of the greatest difficulties was the removal of such boulders as were in the line, many of them being of such size as to require blasting to break them up, and some being actually removed to the required distance from the line by heavy blasts.

The measurement was begun at the west end of the line on Saturday, the 18th July, but the next week proved so rainy that it was only resumed in earnest on Monday, the 27th. The work of the first Saturday (24 tubes) was measured on the following Monday, with precisely the same result as to length, the end measurement falling precisely on the marks which had been placed as terminating the first, and which were fine holes upon the head of a copper nail placed in a stake some 18 inches in length, driven into the ground until its head just projected above the surface. The mark was placed and verified, as all others of the same sort, by a fine cross made by a transit placed at right angles to the line, and at a moderate distance from it.

This was a astonishing degree of the strongest grade adopted, as there was a difference of temperature of about 18° in the two measurements. On Tuesday a length of 15 tubes, which had been measured with as identical results, this was on an ascending slope.

On Monday the work was in part interrupted by the arrangements for photographing the apparatus, on Tuesday by a fog, and on Wednesday by showers in the beginning of the day; we made, however, half a mile on both days.

On Wednesday began a series of four unbroken days, during the first of which we measured about seven-eighths of a mile, and on the three others, a mile, or more than a mile, each day, reaching the east end of the base on Monday evening; thus counting in the broken days, 3.4 miles were measured in eight days.

By the kindness of Prof. FARRAR, I have been enabled to collect approximately some of the statistics of the measurement in a tabular form.

Whole length of base 18,697 feet, or about 3.4 miles.

Mean level of base above mean tide, 207 feet.

Approximate level for reduction to the level of the sea, 4 inches nearly.

Number of tubes inclined, 642.

Number of tubes level, 816.

Correction for curved line for whole base, 2.2 feet to be subtracted.

Maximum inclination 3° 14'.

Greatest day's work, 281 tubes 1.05 miles in 11h. 10m. working time, averaging 1 tube in 2' 37".

Rev. THOMAS HILL occupied one minute in exhibiting a map to show the appearance and progress of the solar eclipse of March 14 and 15, 1856, and two and a half minutes more in presenting "A Note on Arithmetical Complements," and eleven minutes in reading a paper "On a System of Coördinates in Analytic Geometry," to illustrate a mode of defining and representing mathematical problems by algebraic signs.

Professor PIERCE complimented the latter paper as one of much value, and Dr. CASWELL inquired whether the author, in his computations by the new system, ever encountered the difficulty of finding results for which he could not account; to which Professor HILL curtly replied, that he never had any difficulty in accounting for his own results, but did not know how much he might encounter in attempting to account for those of other gentlemen.

Professor PIERCE followed with an elaborate dissertation on the Gyroscope, premising by stating that he could only present the subject in technical form, and therefore that it would only be interesting to the technical hearer. Certain it is that he did not advance a single idea not completely belonged in algebraic and geometrical terms, repeated with lightning rapidity.

The last paper read was one by J. R. GRAHAM, Esq., Assayer of the United States Mint in North Carolina, on the rise and gradual discontinuance of Troy weight in coinage and commerce. This document possesses more of popular interest than either of those which preceded it.

He began by stating that about 1,800 years ago, or about 55 years before the Christian Era, JULIUS CÆSAR had described the inhabitants of Great Britain and Gaul as making use of brass and iron rings by weight for money. Gold ring money of the Celts was also occasionally dug up in Ireland, and similar money was employed by the Scandinavians on the shores of the Baltic. They were multiples of one certain ounce, or integers of its proportions, the word for ounce being claimed as a purely Celtic one. Recently an ambassador wrote from Antwerp that he had purchased a gold chain of Russia with the links stamped by the goldsmiths of the day to mark their weight and fineness. In South Africa, at the present day, there was a similar employment of metal rings. And a civilized country of antiquity, as appeared from paintings still remaining on walls, employed rings which were carried to Cush or Ethiopia. Another nation had pieces of coin stamped with the likenesses of idols for the same purpose. The old pound of the Anglo-Saxons was called Rastenling, from which came the modern "sterling." In France there was a pound called the pound of Rochelle, and the Germans named it the pound of Cologne. A new system by which the pound of silver in tale was also made the pound in gross was arranged by CHARLEMAGNE, in the eighth century. In England under William the Conqueror, it was deemed that measures, weights, &c., should remain as they had been under his predecessors. In 1266, in the reign of the whole Realm it was determined [illegible] Henry, called something should be round, and that it should be of the weight of 32 grains of wheat taken from the middle of the ear. Twenty pennyweights were to make an ounce, 20 ounces one pound; 8 lbs. of silver a gallon of wine, and 8 gallons of wine a bushel, the eighth part of a quarter. Troy weight was supposed to have been derived from the Eastern nations, and transmitted first to Troyes in France from Cairo, during the crusades. From Troyes it was carried into England by the goldsmiths, and found favor there under Henry 5th, who began to define the standard finenesses of silver coins and to reduce their weight. Before this a statute established a common standard by which silver and wheat were assumed to be the natural tests, the one of the other. Unfortunately neither was exactly suited for the purpose. It had been found by experiment with white and red wheat from North Carolina—North Carolina Flour having been reported the finest specimen at the great exhibition in London—that of red wheat 40 to 42 grains were required to balance a grain of silver, and from 32 to 35 or 36 grains of white wheat effected the same thing. In short, grains were not intended to serve as a just measure for perfect commerce, multiplication not division. Again there was no such thing naturally as pure silver. It was produced only by art, and impurity reduced silver could not offer any just rule for the adjustment of weights and coinage. Attempts had been made to ascertain the purity of a silver penny of WILLIAM the Conqueror, intended to be pure, and it turned out that there were in it 40-1000 of some base alloy. Now, in the United States Mint as present 2-1000 of alloy was all that was allowed for casual impurities. It was now never intended to make the metal perfectly pure; but whatever the purity the rule adopted must be exactly followed out both with respect to the proportion of the precious metal and of the alloy. The old silver penny was a coin, a weight, and a measure, and as its character of purity changed, the accuracy of all its functions and measures deduced from it were changed in the same proportion, for they did not depend upon the one element of weight or of fineness, but on the products of both. The key-stone was a penny sterling; but an error in this key-stone made the whole arch fall because the metallurgical manipulatory was not checked by any metrical exactness. The base being inaccurate, no truth could be elicited from calculations founded upon them. Some of the silver pennies were nearly divided by a cross through the middle, so that they could be divided into halfpennies or fourth things, from which we have farthing. Halfpennies were coined first in Ireland. He trusted his English friends would pardon a reference to some points of the social condition of early times. Then the houses in London were thatched with straw; chimnies had not been built; coal had not yet been carried to the capital; wheat flour was not in very common use; splints of light wood were employed for tallow candles; wine might sometimes be procured at the apothecaries' shops; printing was not invented; gunpowder was unknown in Great Britain; no coaches ran; and ladies wore neither pins nor silk stockings. Mr. GRAHAM went on to derive the word penny from the latin denarius, which became denier in French, and being pronounced deniey, was easily corrupted into penny by the English. He also gave some explanations of the sequence d'or, and moutons d'or, titles given to French coins from the circumstance that the figure of a lamb was stamped upon them; of the origin of the "rose noble," the "guinea," &c. In the time of Richard the 2d, there was great complaint of the clipping and exportation of the coin, and it was advised that all money should have one weight, and that such as were not weight should be taken at the value of gold, and pass only by weight. The fineness was to be regulated according to a standard; but the moneyers alone possessed the secret of the art, and when it was intended to assess the coin, they advised the monarch to great secrecy. As the grain was taken as the unit, all degradation of that weight led to the proportionate degradation of every higher denomination in money, weights and measures. The coins of Great Britain were long struck with a hammer on an anvil, till a machine called a balancier, acting with a lever, was introduced from France. Among the medieval laws for the British Colonies, was one introducing into them British assize, weights and measures. Under Queen ELIZABETH, the people and Parliament, in addresses to that lady, frequently mentioned the reformation of the coinage as one of the most desirable changes, and chief glories of her reign, and it is recorded on her monument as one of her chief achievements. Acting upon the opinion that the laws of physical nature operate uniformly, and that the Heavenly bodies are governed by fixed [illegible] all matter, while Sir ISAAC NEWTON [illegible] Mint in the reign of GEORGE I. [illegible] dulum in the latitude of London [illegible] ses, was measured, and the [illegible] the standard of the imperial [illegible] Weights have been deduced from a standard arising from a quantity of distilled water at a certain temperature, and having a certain cubic content. Upon the floor of the House of Commons, and afterwards of a Committee of the Royal Society, influenced by the Prince Regent, it was determined under the Geo. IV., that the standard made by Bird in 1760, should be the legal standard of length in Great Britain; that the pound Troy should be still continued; and that 7,000 grains should be the pound avoirdupois in the British Empire. By act of Congress of 1828, it was determined that the Troy pound procured by the Minister in London, in 1827, should be the standard in the United States to regulate the coinage. Yet there were three standards still in use in the United States coinage—the standard for quantities from Great Britain, the standard for purity from France, and the standard for proportion from Spain. Mr. GRAHAM then quoted some English authorities to show the anomalous condition of the system of weights and measures existing at present in Great Britain, and mentioned that when the Bank of England desired to use weights the decimal part of an ounce they could not get their new weights stamped as required by law until a new Act had been passed making such decimal weights legal. In 1852 Mr. JOHN HASSLER expressed an opinion that some legislation must speedily take place on weights and measures, and a commission appointed on the subject reported that the old standard yard of 1760, and standard pound weight of 1758 had been injured or destroyed by the burning of the Parliament House. Several copies of these standards, however, remained. But a commission appointed by the Lord Chancellor, on the subject, reported that they were not prepared to recommend that the old plan should be restored, for since the former law had been passed many elements of reduction then employed had become doubtful or had been discovered to be founded in error. They recommended, too, that the old Troy scale should be done away with, as its elements had been perverted by arbitrary changes and hasty legislation, and had become almost useless. A few trades employed it, but the mass of the people knew nothing of it, and for one set of Troy weights in Great Britain there were several thousand sets of avoirdupois; the inconvenience being increased by the identity of names in the different scales, for very different weights. Nothing, however, would stand one much to a practical reform as the establishment of a decimal coinage founded on some common unit to be used in calculations in every department. The late Mr. Graham IV. fixing the metal to be employed in the standard weight—yellow brass—as well as the modes of adjustment, were objected to, and in practice many disappointments were found to exist. In illustration of this, he mentioned the case of a wager as to the weight of a remarkable animal, in which the three persons who had estimated it had adhered a different standard. A grazier had reckoned inaccurate of twenty pounds; a butcher instance of fourteen pounds, and a stock dealer in stones of eight pounds each; so that it was long before it could be ascertained who had really won the bet, or who had estimated the exact the greatest weight. Each calculated in his own way, and neither way was that of his neighbor. The defect in all the systems was that the connection between weights and measures had been broken. The Master of the Mint in England declared that the scale of the money system was not founded on scientific principles; but that it had three diverse elements derived from as many unknown or doubtful sources. These were employed in the several processes of the Mint as follows: The first by which to receive the bullion and decide on its quantity, which was done by the pound Troy, of 12 oz., divided into deals, the second for quality by twenty-four carat grains; and their eighths; the third to designate proportions by sterling pounds, shillings and pence. In the United States system many changes had been effected in the system in force at the Mint. The Troy ounce was divided decimally, and the other proportions were discarded. The French grammes used for silver, and the half grammes for gold, with their thousandth parts, had replaced the old carat, grains; and, third, the proportion was based upon the dollar, a credited but erroneous name of silver, the thousandth part of a pound avoirdupois divided decimally for account. The Act of 1792, which established the United States Mint, was the result of the report of the first Secretary, and notwithstanding many changes in the United States, the system there was still subject to the same objections as that of England, being copied from erroneous models, and not founded with scientific accuracy, on systematic, uniform and intelligible views, such as are required for the purposes of coinage, of commerce, of the arts and professions of life, as well in Great Britain as for her colonies, and by the United States.

One or two gentlemen expressed their sense of the importance of the subject, and their desire that it should come up again and be fully discussed. They at the same time paid a high compliment to the comprehensive manner in which the topic had been treated.

The Section then adjourned.

SECTION OF GEOLOGY.

The Chairman having called the section to order, announced that as ten papers had been received on entomology, &c., a sub-section might be formed upon those subjects as suggested by the standing committee. Such a section was accordingly formed, to meet to-morrow morning.

Prof. DAWSON then proceeded to read his paper on the Variety and Preservation of the Sternbergia, which are remarkable fossils, appearing to be a fossil stem marked with very distinct transverse wrinkles, and to define whose position had puzzled geologists, at last, however, it had been suggested that they might be casts of the pith of some fossil trees, from which the wood and bark had perished, and from some specimens which he himself had found, he had concluded that some of them at least bore a connection with the coal-bearing strata. The part of his had been followed up by Prof. WHITTAKER, who had found some specimens bearing a distinct cycoid structure, that of elongated cells and [illegible] medullary rays.

The Professor exhibited to the members some very fine specimens of the fossils that were on the stock of his not being able to find anything similar in the pith of trees existing where these fossils were found, the pith seeming to have been condensed into partitions running across the small, which must have been of a tough, firm structure. He found, however, in the exotic plant a species of Cecropes, a structure of the stem which might answer to it—having first the bark, then the woody stem, then the pith, represented by a cavity crossed by strong partitions. Other plants he found where the cavity was filled with loose cellular pith, but still with these partitions; and others again with a cavity, but with no partitions, but only strong markings opposite the leaves where the partitions should come, a similar formation to which would perhaps give the strange wrinkles of the Sternbergia. It is probable that they had a thick pith and a thin woody structure, though one specimen has been discovered which would probably give a stem of a foot in thickness, compressed into a thin piece of coal in the centre of which was the pith converted into a Sternbergia—nothing can be known of the foliage which the plants bore. The diameters observed in different specimens may not be generic, but caused only by the more or less rapid growth of the plant, which would bring the nodes and consequently the pith partitions nearer together, or the contrary. In some specimens, also, we find the partitions going clear across, while in others they cut the fossil only in part, answering to the arrangement of the pith in the Cecropes and other plants. The preservation of the specimens was very various, some of them having nothing but the pith, the wood and bark being entirely decayed away, while some had only fragments of the wood adhering to them.

These facts the Professor thought strengthened the conclusion that large beds of the coal consisted of the pith and bark of coniferous trees. The most abundant localities of these fossils are in Nova Scotia, where they are found along with beds of coal, and presenting an appearance which would seem to indicate that a shallow bottom of red mud, had on it a surface of sand on which the calamites grew, and the water dashing past, probably brought by the pith of trees already decayed, to be caught there and thus preserved. He closed by drawing the inference that there were in the coal beds a larger portion of bodies capable of resisting the action of decay than had been supposed.

Professor DAWSON was not at all confined to his written paper, but spoke freely, illustrating what he said on the black board.

Professor LESLEY then spoke for a few minutes on the Fluxures of the Strata in the Broadtop Coal field in Pennsylvania, apologizing for the briefness and imperfection of his remarks, by saying that it came to his observation but a few days ago. This field, he said, was about seven or eight feet thick on the average, and it was supposed that it would be worked without difficulty, but it presented some very great difficulties, one of the greatest of which were these sunken fixtures of which isolated instances had been found before, but here they were in consecutive series. The gangway would suddenly grow narrower and at last the coal would run out. The top and bottom slate coming together, the one curving back upon the other with a perfect bending, so as to leave no trace whatever of where the coal has gone; but driving right through the bottom slate, the coal is found again.

The Professor proceeded to parallel this by the fact that if a slate is folded and then subjected to pressure, the solid bend to be more than one fold, and some of them pointing backwards rather than forwards, and the fossil, he thought, might have been produced by some such pressure, which must have been a side pressure, of course. There were sulfur nodes between the harder ones which would not slide upon themselves. And the coal had sand stone above and below it, and under these, slate, the fluxures being 30 or 40 feet thick. The upper surface of the coal is very regular, while the under one is very irregular, and that of the fire clay yet more so.

A member asked if there was any correspondence between the fluxures of the coal and the irregularities of the fire clay below. Professor LESLEY answered, that the under beds had never been laid open or studied at all, so that that fact could not be known.

Sir WM. LOGAN then read a paper upon the division stretched along Lake Ontario and the River St. Lawrence clear to Labrador. He said he had ceased to give descriptive names to rocks, from finding rocks of similar characters in very different situations, and used now only the local names.

Quite a discussion followed, in which Mr. HARTNET, Prof. LESLEY, and Mr. WHITTAKER took part, as to the thickness of strata which were tilted up. Mr. RAMSAY inclining to think that their thickness was likely to be greatly over-estimated, by their being possibly curved over and the upper portions shaded and worn away, and the other arguing for the entirety of the strata as one thickness of rock.

Mr. T. S. HUNT then read a paper on some Mineral Springs and the origin of Magnesian Rocks. He referred to a statement of LYELL that probably all the limestone in the earth has passed through organic life, and referred to the mineral springs of Karlsbad, among others, which deposit immense masses of carbonate of lime, every year. He proceeded to give a hypothesis in relation to some of the limestones, that they were formed by the presence of shallow lagoons of sea-water, into which the waters from mineral springs were discharged, the chemical effects being such as would be expected, and the presence of corals also in some of the rocks giving weight to the hypothesis.

The chairman raised a difficulty in the existence of such limestones in a coral island where there did not seem to be any change for any such mineral springs.

The subject was discussed at some length, and will probably come up again when another paper of Mr. HUNT's shall be read.

Prof. COOK, of Rutgers College, then read a paper upon a Subsidence of the Coast of New-Jersey and some of the adjoining States, which was listened to with great interest. The Professor said that the occurrence of timber in half marshes below tide level, is noticed all along the Atlantic coast. It is plain that the trees grew where their remains are found; their stumps remain upright the bark on them in some cases, and the roots buried in the earth in which they grew. This timber is most abundant on the shores of Long Island and New-Jersey, where they are protected from violent surf action by the existence of sand-bars and islets between the marshes and the sea. Here thousands of acres of oak stumps can be found covered with thickly-wooded islands as if it were the site of an original forest. I have examined them closely along the coast of New-Jersey, on the Long Island and on Delaware Bay. In the ditches and marshes near the head of the Bay, stumps are frequently found below the level of the marsh, and thus below the level of tide water. The same thing is observed all down the Bay, especially in Cape May County, and all along the Atlantic coast up to Sandy Hook. Great numbers of these trees are in the salt banks here, lying so that they are only exposed at extreme low water. Near Amboy, in digging a canal through a marsh four or five feet below the surface, they struck sand which was entirely covered with roots and stumps of the yellow pine. At another place it is covered with the roots of the white cedar. At Staten Island the same state of things exists, and also along the shore of Long Island. In many places where the oak, the gum, and other deciduous trees stood, no trace can be found, but in some places they show a much faster, but the pine and the cedars still remain. I have seen stumps of them standing in water which had been there no one knows how long, which had all the texture and even the smell of fresh cut wood. A considerable business even is carried on in digging out this timber from the marshes on the Bay, and splitting it for use. In some places the trees appear above ground, while in others the only way they can be found is by probing for them.

At Bergenville there is a large meadow where the workmen dig this timber. They probe the turf until they find the trees, then clearing away the thickest of the mud, they cut off the log in the mud and water. The log rises to the surface, and is then easily disposed of. And when a part of the meadow has been gone over, and one crop gathered, another will rise from the depths of the mud near the surface, so that there is one place which has been worked in this way for 50 years. How long these have been lying there no one can tell, but on one tree there were counted over 1,000 concentric rings, and under that was one on which were counted over 500. At Dennis Creek there are two distinct stumps upon which there is eight feet of water at low-tide. And these facts are not confined to New-Jersey and Long Island. Instances have been before made known on Cape Cod, and as far North as the Bay of Fundy. And these facts are to be distinguished from other cases where the upland has worn away, and in wearing away has left trees uncovered. Along with these are often found deposits of shells similar to those in the waters now. These are often found also in sloping walls—deposits of clam and oyster shells. At one place where the bank was washed away, I noticed such a deposit some 16 inches thick, and some 6 or 10 feet above high water mark. I attributed these facts as indicating a period of subsidence, and then of elevation, preceding the subsidence of which I speak.

Some of these submerged trees have been growing trees within the memory of man. All along the Delaware Bay there is a salt marsh from a mile to two miles back, and back of it the land is low and almost level. At a point near Salem, a portion of what is now salt marsh was within the memory of man a maple grove on this upland, and an island in the middle of it is still so. In another place, land which has been cultivated is now salt marsh. In another place, land is salt marsh which is mapped in the earlier maps as timber; an owner of an extensive tract there, told me he had lost at least 1,000 acres of timber land by the advance of the tide upon it. This advance is marked every year by its cutting off a small fringe of the timber which dies, and the process seems to go on more and more rapidly—and the timber which is killed is never replaced by timber but by salt marsh. I found old men who had seen timber growing where now it was marsh, and in some places I found long rows of the red cedar standing in the marsh, a foot deep or more in the mud of the marsh.

The lower part of New-Jersey is exceedingly favorable for observations of this character, from its being so flat that on a railroad line running through Cape May County the highest point was not more than eight feet above the [illegible] Many shells and [illegible] showed, also, that the soil in these portions of the country was not alluvial. Bowlders were frequent in it, and hence it was not liable to the difficulties which were met with in the alluvial soils of the Mississippi or the Carolines.

Judge CONDIT, of Albury, thought something might be due to the gradual sliding up of the ocean, by the immense weight of water carried into it by the rivers which would tend to bring it back again upon its shores.

It being now half past two, the section adjourned till to-morrow.

This evening the Natural History Society of Montreal gave an entertainment to the members and the guests in Concert Hall, an immense room, in which a thousand persons had abundant space for promenading. The hall was brilliantly lighted, and decorated with the flags of England, France and the United States gracefully disposed. At one end of the hall was erected a platform, occupied by the band of the 39th Regiment, whose return hitherto from the Crimea was celebrated by a banquet in the same room some time since. The evening consisted of a brief address by President DAWSON, of McGill College, Montreal, and another by Professor HAGUE, of Albany. The latter was an interesting and instructive lecture on Geology, but entirely too long for an occasion like the present, when festivity rather than philosophy was the "regular order." After the conclusion the floor was cleared for a promenade to the eloquent music of the fine band; and the same thick extensive refreshment rooms were thrown open in which various comforts for the inner man were served in profuse abundance.

THE GOODWOOD CUP!

Letter from an American who Witnessed the Race.

To the Editor of the New-York Daily Times:

After reading the editorial in the *Herald* in relation to the race for the Cup at Goodwood, I cannot conceive what can induce an editor to pass so gross a libel on the owner and friends of the American horses in England.

Every one who knows Mr. TED BROWNE knows a gentleman who would scorn anything like meanness or juggling, and there is no doubt he would rather have won the Goodwood Cup than all the money and cups his horses are entered for in their various sporting contests.

The writer in the *Herald* no doubt founded his belief on the capabilities of *Fryer* winning, on the foolish report that he had in a trial accomplished the impossible feat of running the Goodwood distance—two and a half miles—in four minutes, being at the rate of 1:36 per mile. This wonderful effort was simply laughed at by all sporting men as impossible.

My object in this communication is not to advance any opinions of my own in reference to the race, but to furnish you with a copy of a letter written by a New-Yorker who was present at the contest, and whose opinions may be relied on, as he not only went over expressly to see the race, but knows what a horse is, and, still more, up to the day before the race he was firmly impressed that on the evening of the race he would have a slip of Old Port out of the coveted Cup.

The day before the race, July 31, he says: "To-morrow the Grand Races come off. We start at nine in the morning by the express train. I will leave this open until we return and give you the way in which "Bryer" took them all down; the odds are twelve to one against him. If the English show no more judgment with racing horses than they do in driving in the streets, I believe we will fetch them. I honestly believe, if TED BROWNE will run his horses from the jump, he will carry the cup to America. One more day will prove whether my surmises are correct. There is considerable talk in the papers about the Yankee horses."

The day after the race he writes: "Friday morning, July 31. Well, D., the races are over, and I am sorry to say we will not be able to bring the cup home. It remains for the French to do that same thing. *Monarque* was the boy, Another second, Fish-woman third, *Andes* fourth, and *Prioress* fifth. The papers will give you all particulars. I am glad our horses were so well up as they were. Fourteen horses started. The Cup race was the fourth one. In these I had a chance to see English jockeys and horses, and was so well pleased with them, I told "Jim" there was not an earthly chance for us; still he thought we were all right. These jockeys have a wrinkle in bringing their horses home that I never witnessed in America, and I am fully convinced that TED BROWNE will not win any race he enters for. Of the two, *Prioress* was my favorite before starting. *Fryer* is too small, did not jump fast enough, seemed to be very restless, had not had work enough, I thought. GLADIATOR rode the race, and a great many thought, at one time, she would be the winner. This morning papers say if she had had an English jockey on her there is no telling where she would have been. But enough—a prettier place for a race course cannot be picked out, and everything conducted in admirable style. "Jim" is sick from the result of the race, and wishes he could go home by the Telegraph."

Now contrast this fair owning up of defeat by one far more deeply interested than any one about the [illegible] with the [illegible] of the Herald [illegible] to vote who has not paid the tax [illegible]

Letter from Gen. Stringfellow—A Strangely-worded Document—The Lie given, &c.

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Mr. Editor: In the St. Joseph [illegible] letter from Gen. Stringfellow [illegible] Wednesday, purportedly a reply to a letter from Mr. Wentworth to certain citizens of Kansas [illegible] State. He avowed object to be to defeat the election of James S. Rollins to the office of Governor of Missouri, and his letter should be read in full, which, published, as it was, too late to be answered, and circulated in some of the counties of Missouri through the instrumentality of a corrupt and venal press.

My purpose is not to complain of harsh treatment, the cause of his favorite, nor can I, now that the election is over, be suspected of a purpose to serve any candidate or party. The purpose for which I use the columns of your column is alone to reply a series of foul slanders, to expose base lies to the contempt of all good men.

In this publication, misnamed "a letter," is the paragraph

"Wm. H. STRINGFELLOW, ATCHISON and Amos, and the notorious L

made to my partner, Mr. Atchison, or to any Southern man.

Without pretending to be the agent of Warren Woodson, I have no hesitation in saying, that I do not believe he ever made an offer to purchase the property of Dr. Stringfellow, for any such purpose as that will say. Dr. Stringfellow and Mr. Blair, who have lived all their lives in Missouri, and who know him some years since, have assured me that they never spoke to him about it. If Atchison ever did, he certainly never spoke to him while Dr. Stringfellow, who knew him some years before, was present. Dr. Stringfellow was absent the disturbance, and I think he was absent the greater part of the past year.

To prevent the possibility of the property being purchased by Woodson, Atchison and their associates, in the origin as well as public, that of the "Stringfellows," I will give the substance and result of that interview.

Some time in April last, Lane, with several companions, rushed at the residence of Dr. Stringfellow, near the town of Atchison, about the usual time for dinner, and the Doctor being in town, they invited him that he should be sent for. On his arrival he instantly asked Lane if he were not afraid that he might be himself found there? Lane replied that he always felt safe when under the protection of a gentleman. Lane then stated that he was seeking a location on the Missouri River, and intimated that he contemplated it to the advantage of any town to let him have an interest. Dr. S. at once informed him that he could get no interest in Atchison in but one way, the only way in which any one could acquire an interest in the town, by purchasing the property with money. These terms did not suit him, and he went his way; and instead of trying a speculation in trade with Atchison, as my Correspondent says, he does not to this day, nor has he ever owned a dollar's worth of property in Atchison, or any other town in which Mr. Atchison or Dr. Stringfellow was interested, so far as I can ascertain.

I should add that Dr. Stringfellow did not drive Lane and his companions from his house, but invited them to stay and get their dinner as any gentleman would have done, strange as it may seem to Woodson and Atchison, the guest for this class of charges. In making the foregoing expose, I must not be regarded as admitting the right of any man, for political or other purposes, to dictate who shall be my associates, or to which I shall sell my property. Such a pretence would be simply ridiculous and impertinent. I have more pride than to care "how the world is addicted to lying."

But Warren Woodson prefers another charge of a different character. It is, "that Stringfellow, Atchison, Atwill and the notorious Lane, are growing fat in their purses and pockets by speculating in town sites, and by receiving money and distributing it among the money men there from Missouri and elsewhere to make Kansas a Slave State, and refusing to render an account, although demanded, as to how they have disbursed the funds."

I have no defence to make for Lane, but doubt not he can satisfy this associate of his friends Blair, Brown and Reavis, that he has never misapplied the "funds sent from Missouri and elsewhere, to make Kansas a Slave State." I confess this is the first intimation I had received that any such funds had ever been sent to Lane! It must be that Woodson and his associates, who are so actively conspiring to effect Lane's boasted purpose to abolish Slavery in Missouri, have forwarded their contributions to him, as I have never heard of their sending any fund to any one else. If so, it is not unlikely that Lane has not applied them to making Kansas a Slave State!

I leave Gen. Atchison, too, to notice this charge in his own way. So far, however, as it relates to Atwill or my quondam fellow, I denounce it, in every particular, a wicked, deliberate, and unmitigated falsehood.

Without the folly of pretending that my account of the expenditure of the money "sent to make Kansas a Slave State," could be given which would be satisfactory to those who never contributed a dollar, but who heretofore were and now are with Blair and Brown, associated in concocting every act of those who have labored so hard to make Kansas a Slave State. I will say if he tells, that Atwill or any Stringfellow ever agreed, or refused to render an account of the disbursement of any such money to any one who had any right to call for such an account.

While I deny the right of Warren Woodson to demand any explanation or account, I will make a statement to gratify the curiosity of all such anxious inquirers, and will then submit him a proposition. Of the enormous sums sent from Missouri and elsewhere, to make Kansas a Slave State, on which Atwill and the Stringfellows have grown fat in purse and person, Dr. Stringfellow has received not one cent.

I have received about one hundred and thirty dollars, and Mr. Atwill the sum of eighteen hundred dollars. I now make to Woodson a proposition I agree to pay him five times the amount contributed by him towards making Kansas a Slave State, if I do not prove that my partner Atwill and myself, though poor when compared with the official if not illgotten gains of Warren Woodson, have paid out and expended towards that purpose three times the amount received by us "to aid in making Kansas a Slave State." And if I do not further prove that we have each expended ten times the amount contributed by him, or Jas. H. Relfing, provided that I make such proof, he shall refund to us the amount paid on by us! He shall, however, give good security, for I would not trust a man who has shown himself so utterly destitute of truth. I pledge myself further, that our witnesses shall all be Americans in good standing in the border, and his son in law, Jas. H. Moss, who is a gentleman, shall be the first called to the stand.

What I have said I intend to apply, not only to Warren Woodson, but to each and every other who has made or circulated like charges.

I make no apology for calling a lie a lie, because I do not hold the author entitled to the courtesy of a milder term. I have extended this to be full and final; it is the first and will be the last notice I shall take in this way of any such miserable falsehoods.

I have solicited the use of your columns, Mr. Editor, not only because of your widely extended circulation, but because here, where we are known, no notice of these infamous slanderers is necessary. It would, I fear, be the most look other papers, disposed to do justice, to give this a place in their columns.

Yours truly, R. P. STRINGFELLOW.

KANSAS AND SLAVERY.

Movements and Sentiments of the Pro-Slavery Propaganda.

The Charleston *Mercury* publishes the following letter from Col. Alpheus Baker, inclosing others from D. R. Atchison, upon the subject of making Kansas a Slave State. They are interesting from the light they throw upon political movements in Kansas—the action of Gov. Walker, &c.:

Eufaula, Ala., August 8, 1857.

To the Editors of the Charleston Mercury:

Gentlemen: I received, this morning, from Gen. Atchison, letters from which I make for publication the following extracts, shedding light upon the real position and hopes of Southern men in Kansas, refuting the slander now widely circulated that our leaders there have abandoned the struggle for the rights of the South, and properly characterizing the base suspicions which have been whispered in some quarters, even against the Executive Committee whom I had the honor lately to represent before the people of the South, and South Carolina especially, in their appeal for pecuniary aid.

Very truly and respectfully, ALPHEUS BAKER.

Clinton Co., Monday, July 27, 1857.

Col. A. Baker—*Dear Sir:* A week or two since I received a letter from you to Colonels Buford and Boone. You have nobly discharged the trust we have imposed on you. You have laboriously, eloquently and emphatically done your duty to the South; all this you have done, and every true and honest southern man must, sooner or later, acknowledge it and thank you in his heart for it. Your mission was a difficult one, and you have been misconstrued by some, and wantonly slandered by others. Yet, if it is any consolation to you, you must know that in this you stand not alone. Indeed, every man who has taken an open and manly part in defence of Southern rights has encountered the abuse of the North, and, what is still worse, the coldness and detraction of Southern men. The most really serious which comes to the hand of a mean man in the South is that the end we have in view is not the rights and interests of the Slave States, but our own. They insinuate that the money raised in the South is to be appropriated to the use of Atchison, Buford, Rusell, Boone, Stringfellow, &c. Now, every intelligent man who uses such weapons is a liar and is conscious of being so when he circulates or publishes such a charge; and try him in any emergency, when the South shall stand in need of all her sons, and he will prove himself a coward, or a traitor, or both.

I see that not even thunder and lightning will arouse the South. *I doubt whether an earthquake—a moral and political earthquake, shaking the institution of Slavery to the earth, and bringing ruin upon the whole South would arouse her to action.* In a word, my only hopes for Kansas are in *the border counties of Missouri*: and, by the by, any one of ten counties I could mention have expended more money than any one State of the whole South in this cause. The Executive Committee for Kansas Territory will have a meeting on the 18th of this month for consultation, when you shall hear from us.

If the South would but do half her duty, Kansas would be a Slave State; and I hope we will be able to effect that object, notwithstanding the apathy of the Slave States and the energy of the Free States, and all the open or secret efforts of the officers of the Federal Government. Yours, truly,

(Signed.) D. R. ATCHISON.

In a letter to me of the 20th July, disheartened by the indifference of the South to their appeals for assistance, and more deeply wounded by unjust charges against some of the best and truest of her friends in Kansas who have ruined themselves in her service, he says despondingly:

At times I have almost come to the conclusion to curse Kansas and quit the cause of the South. It is hard for a man to devote all his time and energies and money to a cause, and receive nothing but abuse and slander in return from those who should sympathize with him; and to be the object of suspicion even by good men is worse than all. Yet, in defiance of all this I will not abandon our cause so long as there is the shadow of a chance for success, and this is the determination of most of our friends in Kansas and Missouri. Our cause is not a hopeless one. Walker has, up to the 1st of March last, a majority of friends in Kansas, and I believe we still have. I shall give you my reasons for still thinking so. The registered voters amount to nine ten thousand, and this majority was made last October and Spring, and at least nine tenths of those voters are Pro-Slavery men, for the Abolitionists refused, as a general thing, to register their names, and the reason for their refusal was, in my opinion, that they were in a small minority. It was not to preserve their consistency, for Abolitionists are consistent in nothing except villainy. Now, if our delegates to the Convention shall refer the Constitution to the registered voters for ratification or rejection, then we will ratify the Constitution. If it is to be referred, as Governor Walker says, to all the people who shall be in the Territory on the day of voting, then we must and will have a majority at the polls on that day. If the South would but make one speedy and united effort, all would be safe. If Walker's plan, however, prevails, it will give us infinite trouble, but it will also give the Abolitionists more. Walker has done us and our cause more injury than Hale, Chase or any other Abolitionist could have done; yet, I repeat, I do not despair. One more struggle! It is the last we can make, and we will succeed.

I am happy to find that Walker is fully understood at the South. A great many Southern men have gone to Kansas this Summer, and many more will go from this region. We do not give it up. I regret that I cannot devote my whole time to our Kansas affairs in this crisis. Now is the time for the South to act.

Yours, truly,

(Signed) D. R. ATCHISON.

PROSPECTS OF THE PRO-SLAVERY PARTY—THEIR ONLY REMAINING CHANCE.

From the (Richmond, Va.) South.

Atchison, Sunday, Aug. 2, 1857.

To the Editor of The South:

The apparent want of accurate information on the part of such reliable Southern journals as *The South*, in reference to the position of the Pro-Slavery Party in this Territory, makes me presume to furnish you with a statement of their situation.

The Convention to form a State Constitution will meet in September next. They are unanimously Pro-Slavery. The question at issue is, shall this Constitution be submitted? I hope not. I believe not. Nothing save official patronage brought to bear on the weak-kneed members can make a submission pass. The talent of the Convention, and I am satisfied the members, too, is against a submission.

If so decided, the question will come up in Congress, shall Kansas be admitted with a Slave Constitution without reference? *It is the best we can do; it is all we can do.* Will the South stand up to us, or will the Union-Saving Compromisers send it back for ratification? Let the South prepare herself for that question. *If she backs down, Kansas is lost—and the doom of the South is written fearfully distinct in letters of blood upon the wall. Missouri Slave compromisers, would hold out but a few years in a continuous struggle—Kentucky, Virginia, Maryland and Texas will leave the battle on their own borders.*

Admit us, and we have no fear but that it will, for all time to come, remain a Slave State. Missouri will be strengthened, Utah and New-Mexico, and perhaps Oregon, will apply for admission and be Slave States. Northern Texas will be safe; the equilibrium of the North and South restored.

Assuredly, should the Democratic party (who in this Territory are almost to a man, Pro-Slavery,) carry the October elections, there can be no reasonable objection to our admission, North or South. In any event, let public opinion be prepared, for the issue is at hand.

Nothing that I can see ahead can prevent it. The Abolitionists have contemptuously spurned Walker's proposals for a compromise party. He is now engaged in a feint to regain Southern confidence, with United States troops quibbling about the enforcement of some town ordinances in Lawrence, whilst traitors and a treasonable State Government stalk throughout the land. The fight will be transferred to us. We have borne it long enough. Let the battle be in the halls of the Congress of the United States. Let it be decided this Congress. Delay is death to us. If our friends in Congress do not do their part, it is folly for us to contend.

I have written this as a private letter, *not to be published*, to give you the feeling of the party identified with you in Kansas. I have written thus unreservedly because I have an abiding faith that when the great battle comes on to be fought, your sword will not be sheathed, but ready as ever to do service for the right.

I am Sir, very respectfully,

Your obedient servant, X. Y. Z.

RELATION OF PARTY NECESSITIES TO THE QUESTION OF SLAVERY.

From the South, (Editorial,) Aug. 14.

Gov. Walker's declarate purpose *to make Kansas a Free State.* To that end all his official acts have tended. He has openly declared the object and pretext of his policy. The adoption of a Slavery Constitution, and the admission of Kansas as a Slave State, he says, will jeopardize the success of the Democratic Party in 1860. The South must, therefore, relinquish all hope of Kansas, in order to prevent the election of a Black Republican President. To fortify against the remote possibility of such an event, *Kansas must be sacrificed to propitiate the Anti-Slavery wrath of the North.* Who would have dared to preach that doctrine to Southern ears six months ago? If it were really so—if the admission of Kansas as a Slave State would undoubtedly insure the election of William H. Seward, or any other Abolitionist, yet what Southern man would hesitate an instant in determining his course? If Abolitionism cannot be appeased by any other thing than by a full satisfaction of [illegible] in regard to the territories of the Union, then let the worst come. The South will not surrender a single practical advantage for the empty glory of a miserable party triumph. Of tenfold more importance to us is the possession of Kansas, than the election to the Presidency of such a *National Democrat* as Robert J. Walker.

It is time the people of the South were looking this subject fully in the face. Already it is a settled conviction that no man of any party south of Mason and Dixon can be elected President. Now we are told, that Black Republicanism must triumph, unless the South quits all claim upon the territories. If this be so, *what have we gained by the repeal of the Missouri restriction?* The necessity of "preserving the Union" is stronger than the necessity of preserving the equality of the South. Concession is still the cry, and the South, it seems, is ready to yield everything for Union.

From New-Mexico.

Correspondence St. Louis Republican.

Independence, Friday, Aug. 7, 1857.

The semi-monthly Santa-Fé mail reached here this morning bringing us but little news of interest. Baird and Otero, candidates for Delegates to Congress, are busily at work, each endeavoring to place themselves in a favorable light before the people. The impression seems to be that Otero will be returned. Mr. Larkin, of St. Louis; Alexander and wife, Humphreys and wife, of Kentucky; Collins and wife, of St. Louis; and T. S. Bancroft, of New-Madrid, reached the country in safety and good health. Many of the trains also had arrived with unprecedented dispatch. Everything favored their travel—plenty of grass and water.

Col. John Walker, Indian Agent for Southern Apaches and others in Gadsden's purchase, left for his place of destination, accompanied by Carson as his interpreter.

At a special term of the District Court, Judge Backus, presiding, Jas. B. Sumner was convicted of murder in the first degree, and sentenced to be hung on the 11th.

From a reliable source I learn that the Cheyenne Indians are about to be troublesome. They would not receive their presents from the Agent, but said they intended to have them at any rate. Ten Acres remained, despite of Mr. Bent's advice, hoping to make a treaty, but he says there is no hope of that. As they cannot they can make more by stealing, and have now a large lot of mules and oxen taken from trains. Bent leaves his fort with all his stock, intending to abandon the post. Booth and Allison are trading successfully with the Camanches, Arrapahoes and other tribes. The Pawnees threaten them with vengeance and intend to practice hostilities next, to take revenge for one of their number killed by the Camanches last winter near Allison & Booth's trading post.

[illegible] at their office, Kilby-street. Reporters were not admitted, but a correspondent of the *Ledger* states that the chief subject of discourse was the proposition to sum not exceeding $150,000 for the war. The company, pledging its assets, and 50 per cent. of the profits of the two expeditions now about to be undertaken, the project were passed off at a meeting held August 4, when only two fifths of the stock was represented, on which about $17,000 was [illegible]. An adjourned meeting on the 13th there was a [illegible] present, but a strong opposition was [illegible] to the borrowing plan, on the ground that the pecuniary wants of the Company can be [illegible] more economical manner than by giving [illegible] interest. Finally a motion to adjourn to [illegible] was carried, when the subject will again [illegible] consideration.—*Boston Post.*

Dudley A. Tyng's Successor in Philadelphia.—The Church of the Epiphany at Philadelphia has procured a new pastor, Rev. W. O. Pendleton, of South Carolina, in the room of Dr. Tyng, who resigned last Fall, for preaching against Slavery. The Rev. gentleman who takes the place of Dr. Tyng is spoken of in one of our exchanges, is a native of a district which, by the census of 1850, contained a population of 1,408, and a slave population of 1,311. Among the whites there are 788 who cannot read nor write.

Testimonials to Miss Mitchell.—The [illegible] of our talented country-woman, Miss Maria Mitchell, of Nantucket, has spread far and wide. It is proposed to present her a testimonial. An observatory in Nantucket Island is for sale on favorable terms, and it is on foot for the purchase, to be presented to Miss Mitchell. The sum needed is $3,000, of which more than [illegible] has been raised by ladies in Philadelphia and its neighborhood. Miss Mitchell is now in Europe.

Accident.—A German, named Owen Weber, was thrown from his cart on Hudson-avenue, Brooklyn, on Friday, when one wheel passed over his [illegible], inflicting serious injuries. He was taken to the City Hospital.

THE STREET COMMISSION.

Conover Decided to be Guilty of Contempt.

His Punishment to be Appointed To-Day.

The Injunction Continued Against all the Parties Except D. D. Field.

TWO DECISIONS FROM JUDGE INGRAHAM.

In the matter of the injunction against Conover and others, the Judge proceeded to deliver the following decision:

The Mayor, &c., of New-York vs. Conover and others.—The plaintiffs, on filing their complaint, obtained an order for a temporary injunction, restraining the defendants, Conover and Willett, from removing the books and papers from the Street Commissioner's office, and from interfering therewith, and Devlin from delivering the same to Conover, or any one on his behalf, and an order for the defendants to show cause why such injunction should not be continued. The complaint showed that the books and papers referred to were the exclusive property of the plaintiffs. That Taylor, who was Street Commissioner, died, and that upon his death the Deputy Street Commissioner, Turner, acted in his place, and while so acting had the charge of such books and papers. That Devlin was appointed by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen, and entered upon the duties of the office, and was in possession of such books and papers, and as such officer was recognized by the plaintiffs. That the defendant, Conover, claiming to be Street Commissioner, had commenced proceedings against Devlin to obtain possession of such books, &c., and that the Judge before whom the proceedings were pending had made an order that Devlin deliver over the same to Conover; that warrants were about to be issued to enforce such order. That the seizure and removal of such books, &c., would be a serious interruption of the business of the department, and greatly impede the performance of its duties by the Corporation to the public, and might involve the plaintiffs in liabilities and litigation. That the books, &c., were valuable, and the plaintiffs required the constant use of them to enable them to perform their corporate duties, and that no damage could be assessed which would form an adequate compensation for the injury occasioned by the taking. The complaint asks for an injunction restraining the defendants from taking the said books, &c. Considerable discussion has taken place as to the time when this injunction was allowed. A previous injunction had been applied for and obtained during the previous week, which was returned to me and cancelled on the supposition, as the counsel stated, that the allowance of the *certiorari* rendered its use unnecessary. Afterward the second complaint was submitted to me and a new injunction asked for, which was signed on the day on which it bears date. The complaint contains the statement in regard to the *certiorari* which rendered the injunction necessary for the protection of the plaintiff's interests. That statement was, that the warrants were about to be issued and the property delivered to Conover, notwithstanding the allowance of the *certiorari*. Upon such application everything contained in the injunction which could be construed as relating to the proceedings before the Court or Mr. Justice Peabody was stricken out and the order of injunction solely directed to the defendant for the express purpose of avoiding any order which could in any way be construed as applying to that Judge, or to his action, in the proceeding before him. It has, however, been the custom of Courts of equity, both in England and this country, to stay proceedings in another Court by injunction. The books are full of cases of this character, and the right to do so has never been questioned. With much more propriety might such an order be made in regard to proceedings pending before a magistrate out of Court, who, in the capacity in which he was acting, had no equity powers and could not grant the relief which was asked for. The right of the plaintiffs, upon the state of facts disclosed in the complaint, appeared to me to be clear, and entitling them to the relief sought. Is there anything in the defendant's affidavits changing that view of the plaintiffs' claims? The property is averred to be the exclusive property of the plaintiffs, and this is not denied, other than by an allegation of the defendant that he is advised and believes the books, &c., are not the exclusive property of the plaintiffs, but are public records, which the plaintiffs have no right to take from the custody of the Street Commissioner. The defendant also asserts the right to the office, and he denies any right on the part of Devlin to execute the duties of the office. I am bound, on these papers, to assume that the books are the property of the plaintiffs. This fact is positively sworn to on their behalf, while the denial of it is merely on advice and belief. If I am allowed to inquire beyond the papers, I think there can be no doubt that very many of the books and papers in the Street Commissioner's office are the exclusive property of the plaintiffs paid out of the Treasury, and not by assessment, while a great mass of the books and papers are necessary for the collection of moneys due to the City, the loss of which would occasion great, if not irreparable pecuniary damage to the public interest. [illegible] have been fully stated, [illegible] valid, and conferred no right thereto. It is [illegible] that the contemplated act of taking possession of the books by Conover was a mere act of trespass, [illegible] such equity did not interfere, but that the [illegible] in possession had a right to resist by force and [illegible] that right. In ordinary cases of trespass such [illegible] is correct. Equity does not, and ought not, to interfere to prevent every trespass; in regard to the [illegible] property between individuals, where the matter in controversy is small in amount, or can be paid for in money in an action for their trespass. But I do not consider that rule as applicable even to a case of a contemplated trespass where the injury would be great, where the property was of peculiar value and the damages such that they could not be compensated for by any remedy at law. In Jeremie vs. Ross, 1 John. ch. Rep., p. 315, the Chancellor says: "In ordinary cases the remedy of trespass has been found amply sufficient for the protection of property, and I do not think it advisable to introduce the chancery remedy as its substitute, except in strong and aggravated instances, where the mischief is remediless." Again, he says: "I do not know of a case where an injunction has been granted merely because the defendant was a trespasser, without showing that the property was of peculiar value and could not admit of due recompense. In ordinary cases the damages assessed by a Jury will be adequate for a check and for a recompense." In Erpestein vs Berg and others, 19 Howard, p. 9, Judge Davies granted an injunction merely to restrain the sale of some furniture in the defendant's possession, and upon an appeal refused to vacate it. We are told that this being a mere trespass the plaintiffs should be left to a remedy by law to defend their possession by force. I have already suggested the reason why an action at law is inadequate. The value of these books and papers to the City cannot be estimated. The large amount due upon assessments, the evidence for which is only found in them, the rights which exist on real estate for assessments, and the evidence of sales for a long period back, the records of which are to be found only here; the regulations of the police in the City, and various other matters to which it is now unnecessary to refer, conclusively establish the great value of these books and papers to the plaintiffs pecuniarily as well as to the public as containing evidence affecting the real estate of this City to a very great extent. The complaint also shows that the removal of them from the office would greatly impede the public business, and that no adequate compensation could be obtained for their loss or destruction. The plaintiffs are called upon under such circumstances, either to resort to an action at law for damages, or to resist the taking of them by force, I cannot concede to. It is apparent, from what has already been stated, that an action at law would give no adequate remedy. As to the propriety of compelling the plaintiffs to resort to force to defend their possession, instead of asking the aid of the Court, I think there can be no hesitation. Judge Roosevelt says, in the opinion delivered by him, "The plaintiffs claim, as they allege, in possession, can defend themselves in the ordinary course of law against any illegal interference. They can resort to the criminal magistrate, or to the Sheriff or his deputies, if they are right. Again, if the books are the private property of the plaintiffs, they must be protected by the same remedies, remedial or preventive, as apply to cases of assault and battery, and other threatened trespasses of a like nature." I can hardly suppose that learned gentlemen intended to be understood as recommending the plaintiffs to resort to open violence in order to retain the possession of this property. Redress by the ordinary forms of law would be inadequate, and I should be very unwilling to believe that the public authorities would be justified in involving the peace in disturbance and an assault upon the police, and in the consequences of this office. We have already seen the effects of such attempted employment of force in the institution of rights, either supposed or real, and where the evils complained of can be relieved by the simple mandate of a Court, quietly and peacefully issued and enforced, in a case involving rights as important as are embraced in this proceeding, I think there should be no hesitation as to the course to be adopted. It is also objected that this motion is an interference with the decision of another tribunal. That decision was made between other parties. The plaintiffs had no right to defend their possession there. It could not have been brought in issue. They not being parties, have no right of review of the decision of the magistrate, and they are not in any way bound by that decision. It would be insulting to say to a party claiming property which is adjudged to belong to him the right of a third person to the property has been decided by a magistrate in a proceeding between him and others, and therefore you can have no protection from the courts, although you can have no protection from the courts, although you can have no protection from the plaintiffs claim to be the owners of property of great value, the loss or destruction of which could not be repaired, and for which no adequate remedy can be obtained, unless from a Court of Equity an order of injunction to restrain the defendants from taking that property from the place in which they have been deposited and from their possession and control. I see no reason why such relief should not be granted under the circumstances stated in the complaint. There is no question for reasoning to which I have not yet referred. It is to the manner which the defendants set up to the granting of this motion by reason of the alleged adjudication of a similar application to one Court praying for a similar injunction. That which a petition of rehearing an application to one Court from it has been denied in another is wrong, and should not be sanctioned, is unquestionably correct even if the first action is subsequently discontinued, although in the ordinary conducting of legal proceedings such a rule does not always prevail. A party may bring an action in one Court and may fail in making out a case to entitle him to judgment, and such failure is not of course a bar to a second suit. But on motions for injunctions, if the complaint in the second action bears other facts not in existence at the time the first motion was made, the decision on the first motion forms no bar to the subsequent one.

The complaint submitted to Judge Roosevelt only set forth the title to the books and papers. The application of Devlin as Street Commissioner, and the threats of defendant Conover to remove the books from the office—under such a state of facts without reference to extrinsic matters the application might well have been denied and the supposition entertained that the Street Commissioner was perfectly able to protect the books and papers in the office, without the aid of a court of law or equity. In the complaint submitted to me, the plaintiffs show in addition that Conover is claiming to be Street Commissioner under an appointment which they have refused to recognize. That he has commenced proceedings for obtaining from Devlin the possession of this property, and that the magistrate before whom such proceeding is pending, has made an order for the delivery of the books to the defendant, that the warrant therefore is about to be delivered to the defendant, without the Sheriff execution, and that such seizure would expose them to being involved in liabilities and litigations. The rule as to second applications of this character is, that where new facts are stated in a supplemental bill, a fresh injunction might be awarded even though a former injunction had been dissolved upon the merits—and the same rule applies to a new action if the former one is discontinued. Travers vs. Stafford, 2 Ch. R. 19, Lingham vs. Twale, 1 Aug., 180—. Fanning vs. Dunham, 4 J. Ch. R. 85. In Livingston vs. Gibbons, 4 J. Ch. rep. 257, the chancellor denied a motion to renew an injunction which had been dissolved because the plaintiff had consented thereto, at the same time he says, "I mean only to say that upon this motion without any new and special reasons not existing when the injunction was dissolved, I shall not consent to renew the injunction." In Cummins vs. Bennett, 8 p. 78, Chancellor Walworth says, "If the complainant had any grounds to justify the issuing of a new writ, he should have discontinued the first suit and paid the costs, and then have applied to the court before which the second bill was filed for such new injunction." A case very much in point may be found in 9 Gill and Johnson, p. 215, Wood vs. Bruce. In this case a bill had been filed, and an injunction obtained, which was afterwards dissolved by the Chancellor. Some time afterwards an application was made to another Court, on a new bill, and a new injunction obtained. On motion, the Chancellor dissolved the second injunction, on the ground that the cause of action was the same. The plaintiff appealed, and on such appeal the order of the Chancellor dissolving the second injunction was reversed. The Court, in their opinion, say, "The question is whether the case made by the first and by the second bills are identical. Between the dismissal of the first and the institution of the second suit a litigation had commenced in a Court of law which in its event might deprive the complainant of his property. For anything which appeared in the first bill, the complainant might never have been in any manner disturbed in his possession. The claims there set up might never be attempted to be enforced in the proper tribunal." The reasoning in that case is very appropriate to the one under consideration. The complaint submitted to Judge Roosevelt only suggested as the reason for the injunction the threat of the defendant to take the books, &c. For aught that appeared therein, that threat might never have been carried into execution. Since the institution of that action a litigation before a magistrate has sprung up, which was about to deprive the plaintiffs of their property against their will and to which they were not even parties. They have no adequate means to prevent the injury but by a resort to a court of equity. Another reason given for the dismissal of that complaint was, that Conover if Street Commissioner, could be removed by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen. Such removal, however, can only be for cause, if that section is applicable to the present tenure of office, and affords no answer in a case where the plaintiffs refuse to recognize the right of the defendant at all to the office. The reasons given for continuing the injunction against Conover apply to those defendants who have since been made parties by a supplemental complaint, and have interfered with the property. Mr. Field, the counsel for Conover, is included as a defendant. O' the propriety of such a course, where nothing else is alleged against him then the prosecution of the business of his clients, I entertain much doubt. It is not necessary to the protection of the plaintiff's rights, and its effect is to make advocates or parties where they should have no personal interest. I have looked over the evidence in this case, but do not find that the defendant Field has done anything except what falls strictly within his province as counsel. His course in regard to the injunction was not to be approved; but that furnishes no reason for continuing the injunction against him. The injunction is continued against all of the defendants except the defendant Field, and as to him it is dissolved.

[illegible] Court.—This matter came on to be heard upon the motion of the plaintiffs to punish Conover for contempt in disobeying an injunction issued out of this Court. The plaintiffs filed their complaint against Conover, Willett, and Devlin, and obtained an injunction against them, restraining the defendants, Conover and Willett, from removing, causing to be removed, the books, maps, records, documents, and other papers in the complaint mentioned, from the places where they were, and from interfering with the same in any matter or way whatsoever, and restraining Devlin from delivering the property to Conover or any person claiming the same for him. The complaint averred that the property referred to was the books, maps, records, documents, and other papers connected with the Street Commissioner's Department, and are the exclusive property of the plaintiffs. That Devlin had been appointed Street Commissioner by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen, and had possession of such books and papers in the Street Commissioner's office. It also sets out the claim of Conover to the office, and the contemplated seizure of the books and papers, by means of the proceedings before Mr. Justice Peabody. At the time of serving the injunction, the parties and their counsel were in attendance before that judge, who was about to issue the warrant for the arrest of Devlin and the search-warrant for the books and papers under the proceedings before him. These proceedings were founded on the petition of Conover, and were conducted for the purpose of obtaining for him the possession of the books and papers. Immediately after the warrants were signed by the judge, the injunction was served upon the defendant Conover with copies of the papers on which it was obtained. At the time the warrant was placed in the hands of one of the defendant's counsel, and then delivered to the constable who proceeded forthwith to execute it. In so doing, a part of the books and papers were taken from the Street Commissioner's office, and placed in the room of the Supreme Court. Conover immediately thereafter proceed to the Street Commissioner's office, and according to the testimony of Turner, without violence, but, as stated in his own affidavit, without any violence, took possession of the rooms where the residue of the books and papers were, and kept the possession and control of such rooms to the present time. The plaintiffs contend that the defendants violated the injunction both in causing the portion of the books to be brought from the Street Commissioner's office, and also in taking possession and control of the office where the books were kept, excluding therefrom the deputy of Devlin, after Devlin had been arrested and taken to prison. A serious difference has taken place between the witnesses as to the precise time when the injunction and other paper were served on the defendants. That difference does not at most extend a period of more than two or three minutes, but it was considered of importance as embracing that particular moment when Mr. Brewer, one of the counsel of Mr. Conover, took the warrant and left the court room delivered it to the Constable Farrington for execution. The defendant's counsel insist that the injunction was not served until after Mr. Brewer left the court room. There are other matters, however, disclosed in the investigation which, from the view I entertain of the defendant's conduct, happily relieves me from the necessity of deciding this point. It is conceded that the injunction had been served on the Sheriff some hours, that the defendant, Conover, knew for some days previous that an application had been made for an injunction and was disposed of; that the injunction was served upon Conover in Court after the warrant was issued and before the officer had brought it to the parcel of books which he removed; that no measures were taken by him, after the service of the injunction to prevent the removal of the books, although it appears from the affidavit of Farrington that after he took one armful of the books to the Supreme Court room, he returned and procured a second armful, which he again returned to the Court. Without doubt might exist as to the time of serving the injunction on Conover, there can be no doubt, that if it was served and understood before Farrington returned with the second load of books from the office. The obligation of obedience to the order was precisely the same whether it had been served before Mr. Brewer had left the court room with the warrant, or when it was signed by Judge Peabody. In either event it is conceded that if it had been signed by the Judge, and Mr. Conover could just as well have stopped the execution of it after the first load of books had been received as he could, if the injunction had been served before Messrs. Brewer and Farrington first left the court room. That such was his duty I have no doubt. The proceeding was one instituted by himself for the delivery of the books to his order and was subject to his control. The Judge before whom it was pending could not have proceeded in it except on the application of his counsel, and the execution of the search-warrant could have been suspended by him as easily before the second load of books was brought as afterwards. The fact that he had entire control over the execution of the warrant, because he did stay proceedings after the return of Farrington the second time from the Street Commissioner's office, I think, therefore, shows a clear violation of the injunction after the admitted service on Conover, and that it therefore becomes necessary for me to pass upon the question as to the exact point of time at which such injunction was served. There are facts also in this case which very strongly mark the conduct of the defendant, although they are connected with the conduct of the defendant Conover, which I prefer to rather than himself. The fact of an injunction having been allowed was known to the counsel for some days. The haste with which the warrant was placed in execution after it was signed, the speed used in obtaining the books; the remarks of the counsel in regard to the time in which the books would be brought to the court room, the remarks made in court relative to the injunction, the advice to the officer to disobey the order, because he was not a party to the action, the change in the officer who was to execute the warrant—all show a predetermined course of action to execute the search warrant in contempt of that injunction. Instead of taking measures to delay the execution of the process, as was his duty, both Conover and his counsel were evidently endeavoring to have the warrant executed, and they used for that purpose all the means in their power, until after the officer returned a second time with books from the Street Commissioner's office. Such was not the course which would have been adopted by a party disposed to submit to the order of the court. Nor was the conduct of Mr. Conover subsequently free from an interference with these books and papers. They were in the custody of Devlin, who had been appointed Street Commissioner by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen. Whether that appointment was rightfully made or not, is immaterial on this motion. When Devlin was arrested, Turner, his deputy, was rightfully in possession. Mr. Conover expelled Turner from the office, and consequently from the possession of the books and papers, which his duty required him to guard. From that time the defendant kept the entire control of the office, and with it of the books and papers therein. It is no answer to say he has not touched the books or permitted others to do so. He has assumed the control of them by excluding from the care of them those to whom the constituted authorities committed them. I can see no difference between this interference with them and that of taking possession of the rooms in which they were stacking them up from everybody. Such an act in regard to the property of individuals would be a trespass, for which the owner could recover the full value of the property in damages, and if the law considers such an act to be an interference with another's property, so as to charge the aggressor with its full value, surely it is no harsh construction to say that it violates an order of the Court which prohibited the defendant from any manner of interference with the books and papers of that office. I have no hesitation in coming to the conclusion that the defendant, Conover, has violated the order of injunction served upon him, after its service, and that he should be adjudged guilty of contempt. The defendant's counsel objects to these proceedings that the order of injunction was not properly served. The copy of the papers were served with the order which was certified by the clerk. This is the proper and only mode in which an order made by a Court could be served. The original order was a part of the records of the Court, and no other service could be made than a copy certified by the clerk as a copy of an original order made by the Court. The Code, sec. — provides that the order may be made by the Court or by a Judge. The plaintiffs selected the former mode of proceeding, and their proceedings were regular. Even if there was a technical error in serving the order, the case of The People vs. Sturtevant (5 Selden, p. 273) decides "that with actual notice of the injunction, although there might have occurred some slip in the formal method of bringing it home to the defendant, the defendant had no right to disobey or evade it." The case referred to by the defendant's counsel in 6 Howard P. R., p. 426, was on a motion against jurors not parties to the action, and is in no case applicable to this motion. Of the propriety of obedience to the orders of a court, there can be no doubt, and it is not for a party to decide whether such orders should or should not be obeyed; so long as the order remains in force it is his duty to comply with it, and when he assumes to act in disobedience of it, or evade its power by causing acts to be done by his agents, which he is prohibited from doing directly, he is exposed in either case to punishments. And for this purpose it is equally immaterial whether the injunction was properly issued or not. So long as it remained in force the defendant was bound to recognize it as the order of the court which he was bound to respect and obey. Such is the language of the Vice Chancellor in Mott vs Holbein, 2 Edwards ch. r p. 188. And in Sullivan vs. Judah, 3 page 447, the Chancellor says although a party is not to be permitted to violate an injunction with impunity, even if it had been erroneously issued and without any sufficient cause to sustain it, yet the Court may take that into consideration in determining the extent of punishments. And in the People vs Faulding, 2, page 379, the Chancellor says: In no case can a defendant be permitted to disobey an injunction regularly issued, whatever may be the final decision of the Court upon the merits of the cause. See also 5 Selden, 278. In the present case, I shall take it for granted that the defendant, acting under the advice of his counsel, might have supposed that he was not actually violating the injunction served upon him; but I cannot adopt any other conclusion than that both he and his counsel were engaged in a deliberate attempt to evade obedience to that order after full knowledge of its contents, and that in so doing, the defendant did actually violate a lawful injunction. The effects of such disobedience can be remedied by the defendant; the books and papers removed by him or his agents can be returned to the offices, and all the books and papers can be restored to the condition they were in when they were taken, and by so doing, the defendant can to that extent purge himself from the contempt, and render other punishment except the costs of the proceeding unnecessary. For this purpose I shall defer the order in this case until Monday next. In the meantime, if the defendant has the possession of the books and papers to be restored to the place and custody in which they were at the time the injunction was served, he may show that fact on Monday by affidavit, and such order will then be made for the payment of costs as shall be deemed proper. The defendant, Conover, is declared to be in contempt, and the attachment will be granted as before stated.

UNITED STATES CIRCUIT COURT.

The following notice was sent down to the United States Circuit Court by Judge Nelson:

Ordered, That a Special Term of the Circuit Court of the United States for the South

New-York Daily Times.

NEW-YORK, MONDAY, AUG. 17, 1857.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

A serious and fatal collision occurred on Long Island Sound, about 2 o'clock on Saturday morning, between the steamer *Metropolis*, Captain Brown, of the Fall River line of steamers, which was coming up the Sound, and the propeller *J. N. Harris*, Capt. Lucenay Smith, bound from New-York to New-London. The latter had a crew of eleven persons, all told, and fourteen passengers, including three children belonging to Captain Smith. The collision occurred about half way between Falkland Island and Race-Horse. The propeller was struck nearly amidships by the long sharp bow of the steamer, cut in two, and sunk in about three minutes. Three of the passengers only escaped by climbing through the cabin skylight, the doors being closed tight by the wrenching of the superstructure of the vessel. These, with nine others of the crew, including the Captain, were picked up by the boats of the steamer. The total of the lost were thirteen and of the saved twelve. The manner of the lost and saved are given elsewhere. The collision was caused, according to the account of the Pilot of the *Metropolis*, by his mistaking the propeller for a schooner sailing down Sound with a free wind. Governing himself by this idea, he attempted to pass to the left instead of the right of the supposed sailing vessel, while the propeller acted upon the general rule, ported his helm and cleared his vessel the same way—that is, to the southward. As soon as the mistake was discovered by the Pilot of the *Metropolis* he changed his course, Capt. Smith, of the propeller, doing the same, and simultaneously stopping his engine to allow the steamer to take which side she pleased. The consequence was a collision, which happily is of very infrequent occurrence on the crowded marine thoroughfare. The pilot of the steamer alleges that he saw no head light displayed on board the propeller, which confirmed his impression, in connexion with the hoisted sails, that she was a schooner. On this latter point the statements of Capt. Smith is at variance with that of the pilot, for he says a head light was hoisted.

Miss Emma Robinson, daughter of Mr. George Robinson, one of the lost, was a young lady of fine accomplishments, and was the leading soprano singer in the Episcopal Church in Jersey City. Mrs. Smith, who, with her daughter, was also lost, was the wife of A. L. Smith, of Brooklyn, and a member of Rev. Mr. Bethune's Church. The *Harris* was valued at about $22,500; no marine insurance. The passengers of the *Metropolis*, some 200 or 300 in number, formed themselves into a committee, to relieve the immediate suffering of the wrecked passengers and crew who were saved, and raised $400, which was distributed among them. An invalid on the *Metropolis*, George Tappan, from New-Bedford, Mass., on his way with his wife South for his health, became so excited in consequence of the accident that he went into a paroxysm of it and immediately died.

There have been no arrivals at Quarantine of vessels from infected ports since Thursday. The *Tennessee* and *Indian Queen* were permitted yesterday to come up from the lower Quarantine anchorage to Stuyvesant's dock cargoes. Permission has been given to the *Ocean* to come up to-day. The bark *Alfred* arrived yesterday at Quarantine from Jacksonville, via New Haven. She went up to New-Haven with a view to evade Quarantine—the report that she had spoke yesterday off Sandy Hook, induced her to come on to New-York before unloading her cargo, and so save $1,000 demurrage, and possibly to the Quarantine legislation.

A very bad case of yellow fever was taken yesterday from the brig *Magnolia*, lying at the lower Quarantine anchorage, and brought to the Marine Hospital at upper Quarantine. The party died shortly after being brought to the hospital. It was afterwards discovered that the deceased fell from a spar to the deck a day or two ago, and the fever from which he died was superinduced by this fall. At the present time there is not a single case of yellow fever at the Quarantine Hospital.

The law concerning the sale of liquor on Sunday was more generally observed yesterday than on any previous Sunday since the law was ordered to be enforced, owing to the decisive steps taken by the Grand Jury, with respect to those who violate. In the first six Wards all the large grocery-rooms were closed, and in those which remained open, nothing, but "temperance drinks" was announced as on sale. Yet, a few of the smaller places, especially those in the Fourth Ward, sold openly, and to all who applied; others sold only to those known to be "all right" while a still larger number in this and all the other Wards carried on a back or side door business. In the Seventh Ward the Police report a general closing, and an improved observance. Still, one disposed can, as yet, get drunk on Sunday, and can do so without leaving the City, if he knows the ropes.

On Saturday quite a scene occurred at the New-York Hotel, a gentleman residing in the neighborhood being discovered by a wealthy down-town merchant on terms of too great intimacy with his wife. The offending party made his escape almost in puris naturalibus, and was taken, by those who saw him, to be a lunatic. He ran pretty fast, for the injured husband had a revolver. All the parties belong to "our first society."

Judge Ingraham of the Common Pleas rendered two long and pregnant decisions Saturday in the Street Commission matter. He pronounced Conover guilty of contempt, and is to pronounce the punishment to-day unless Mr. Conover hastens to purge himself by restoring the missing books to the Street Commissioner's Office. The injunction restraining Conover, Devlin, Field and the Sheriff from touching any of the books now in the office he removes from Mr. Field but continued toward all the others named. This partiality toward Mr. Field is owing to the fact that Mr. F. acted only as the Counsel of one of the other offenders.

Two Fourth Ward policemen were attacked yesterday afternoon in James street by a gang of ruffians, who rescued from them a prisoner whom they had just arrested for disorderly conduct. The officers were not seriously injured, and succeeded in bringing one of the disorderlies to the Station house, where they detained him all day, fearing that an attempt to rescue would be made if they attempted to bring him before a magistrate.

A discourse was delivered on Sunday evening, at Bleecker-street Church, by Rev. C. Spear, of Boston, who has recently visited many prisons in the United States. As the result of his investigations he recommended that the clergy should pay more attention to the inmates of prisons. He was followed by the pastor of the Church, who denounced the character of not only the Sunday, but the daily Press. He thought that minute details of criminal attempts were very injurious to the morals of the young.

The funeral of William S. Jackson, the Seventh Ward policeman who came to his death under circumstances so mysterious, a few days since, took place yesterday afternoon, from his late residence, No. 204 Mulberry-street. It was very largely attended. The body was interred in Greenwood.

A young man named James Griffin, employed in the Press Department of the Times, was assaulted about 10 o'clock last evening, in front of the Times Office, by two men, one of whom struck him on the head with a club and knocked him down. A policeman arriving, the assailants fled. Griffin was badly cut.

There were 656 deaths in the City last week,—65 more than the week preceding, the increase being caused by diseases of the bowels, choleraic diarrhœa and sun-stroke. It is just the weather to take children into the country, and for hard working men to save themselves by resting during the heat of the day.

A Crisis Deferred.

We were several times last winter taken severely to task by some of our contemporaries for steadfastly refusing to believe in the "approaching revulsion," so pertinaciously prophesied now for many years by both the *Herald* and the *Tribune*. We denied then, as we still deny, that the country would be ruined either by the excessive importations of foreign products, by large exportations of specie, or by large foreign loans on railway bonds. The "revulsion" has, as we expected, been at least postponed *sine die*. It and the comet have both vanished for the present.

Those who remember the terrible notes of warning sounded a few months ago by the Tribune in those racy articles on commercial affairs, in which National ruin was prognosticated as something very closely impending, were no doubt surprised by the appearance of an essay in the same journal, last week, commencing as follows:

> Results prove beyond a question that the people of this country have a decided talent for business. From all the numerous speculations and enterprises set on foot among us during the last twenty or thirty years, the profits on the whole must have considerably exceeded the losses. This is evident by the undeniable fact that the wealth and income of the country have increased at a decidedly greater rate than the increase of the population.

This is and has been exactly our opinion. We have more than once entreated our contemporary to believe that no one understands their business so well as the merchants and bankers themselves, and that all advice to them as to the quantity of goods they may safely order, or the amount of their savings they may safely invest in a house or office, is simply a waste of material. We advocated the letting of the commercial world alone in all matters the facts of which were fully before it. The business of a newspaper is to supply merchants with facts which they cannot conveniently learn in any other way, not to tell them to lodge money to meet their bills when they fall due, or to be sure not to order more goods than they think they can sell. This sort of admonition may do very well in Liberia, but in New-York it is certain to be unheeded. We maintained that "excessive speculation was only the foam on the surface of the wholesome and invigorating tap called Enterprise," and that, however numerous individual mistakes might be, the general result was sure to be favorable. When the *Tribune* was bewailing the multiplicity of railroads, and the fact that they were mostly made with foreign capital, we protested against placing our railways in the same category with those of either France, or England, or Germany. In the Old World they are, to a great extent, luxuries; with us they are necessities. They are our high roads; without them we have no markets and little intercommunication. In England, where, with all its wealth, the returns on capital are slow, and the field for investment limited, it is very easy for the country to draw too largely on present income for future profits. A railroad, in England, simply shortens the distances between two places already connected by a capital road, by a day or a day and a half. In America it opens up millions of acres of arable land, adds millions to the gross amount of our produce, and hundreds of thousands to the ranks of our producing classes. Our means of investing capital profitably are so numerous, and the returns on it so rapid, that no rules based on commercial operations in the past can serve as a guide in the future. Nothing can test our capabilities but self-interest, and to self-interest the task had better be left.

A great many of our railroads (and in saying this, our readers will remember that we are but repeating former observations on the same subject) will, no doubt, prove utterly ruinous to the original projectors. A great many foreign holders of their bonds may possibly find them so much waste paper, and we are sorry for it. But, to the public, except in a humanitarian point of view, this makes little difference. The country gains on the general result. Individuals are ruined, but the nation has got roads, the mass of which will always pay for the working of them, and eventually, no doubt, pay a dividend as well. This is sound doctrine. In this as well as in other matters, we can only watch the operation of general laws, and be guided by them in our action. It is by general laws that commerce, as well as the universe, is governed. We may safely lay down propositions with regard to men in masses, which we cannot apply to men in detail. Out of a thousand of any particular class a little experience enables us to calculate with tolerable accuracy the per centage which, inside a year, will commit thefts, though we could not say of any one man, individually, that he will become a thief. Out of a thousand engaged in business, it is easy to approximate to the per centage which will fail; but it is useless to try and find a rule which will mark out the particular individuals who will become bankrupts. If the general result of their labors proves successful, it is all the public needs to know, or the journalist need trouble himself about. We heartily congratulate the *Tribune* on having arrived at the following result:

> It is an undoubted fact that the building of our railroads has gone to verify the substantial truth of the old proverb that "Fools build houses;" but we are also strongly inclined to suspect that every transfer of the stock of a large proportion of our finished railroads, at the present prices, will go to verify the other half of the same proverb, which asserts not merely that fools build houses, but that wise men live in them. We can hardly imagine a greater absurdity than the suggestion that the railroads of this country are destined to remain an unproductive property. Railroads have become a necessity. People can no more get along without them than they can get along without shoes, or hats or suspenders. Some $700,000,000 are thus invested, and invested for the purpose of rendering a service which the public needs and must have. To suppose that the use of railroads is to be suspended, that steam-whistles are no longer to be heard, and that stage-coaches and baggage-wagons are to reappear, is ridiculous; but it is no less ridiculous to suppose that the cars are to continue to run for the convenience of the public merely, without any return to those who own the roads.

In another place, speaking of the various commercial enterprises of the day, our contemporary remarks,—"the history of these enterprises, looked at individually, is not calculated to lead to a very high estimate of the sound judgment and real power of foresight and calculation brought into play by our business." In this proposition it seems to us, there lurks a fallacy. To produce a favorable general result, the majority of these enterprises, even looked at individually, must have been well conducted. In no other way is a favorable result possible. Consequently the majority of the persons engaged in them must have displayed "sound judgment, power of foresight and calculation." To base any rule upon the failure of the minority is absurd; and to expect that in a vast number of very varied transactions there should be no errors, is ridiculous. We are but stating, in other words, one of the simplest rules of evidence.

The Echo of South Carolina.

On Saturday morning we called attention to the voice of Missouri, as uttered in her recent election. That voice is a voice of manly and intelligent protest against the extravagances of Pro-Slavery fanaticism; it is an emphatic declaration that the slaveholders of Missouri are neither Mormons nor Mohammedans, who have surrendered their souls and their common sense to the sway of an unreasoning organ, but American republicans, capable of self-government, and as fearless in the examination of vital questions as men should be *who are resolute in action upon the conclusions* to which they come. We publish, to-day, what must be taken, we suppose, as the antiphonal echo of South Carolina to the voice of Missouri, since it comes to us indorsed by the press of the Palmetto State.

Colonel Lawrence M. Keitt of South Carolina, already known to the United States and to more of the rest of mankind than it is pleasant *for us as American citizens to think of*, for his participation in the infamous assault upon a Senator in the Senate Chamber of the nation, is now, it appears, sojourning at the White Sulphur Springs in Virginia. To him, there delectating himself in such Arcadian pleasures as that celebrated place may afford, his impassioned admirers, the "State-Rights" men of Marion C. H., S. C., address a brief but expressive letter, requesting him to come and eat with them a "public dinner," in honor of himself. With singular modesty they refrain from specifying the bill of fare, in which, however, we presume that fire figured largely in all its forms. We can only hope that cannibalism was not practiced upon so extensive a scale as appears to have been adopted by the people of another Southern State, of whom we are informed, by the Washington *Union*, that they recently invited a distinguished Senator to a "barbecue composed of *nearly two thousand ladies and gentlemen*."

But whatever the banquet may have been, Col. L. M. Keitt, tempted by the scent of Southern fire, or by the dearer smell of Northern blood, was obliged to stay at the White Sulpher Springs, and could not take pot-luck with his valiant friends. So he wrote them a letter descriptive of his views and feelings.

And this letter it is which we publish to-day, and which we beg our readers to compare with the tone and temper of Missouri, as manifested in her recent action, and in the language of her leading presses and her leading men. Missouri asserts, like Carolina, her right to manage her own affairs, but she does not think like Carolina, that in order to vindicate her faith in that right, and her determination to maintain it, it is necessary for her either to bite off her own nose, or to kick her neighbors down stairs in their own houses. Missouri repudiates, like Carolina, the interference of men or parties, who propose to philanthropize her institutions out of her borders, but she does not hold, like Carolina, that her institutions are beyond the necessity of investigation, or the possibility of reform, and so she does not repudiate the assistance of the economical and moral science of the age in conducting all necessary investigations, and in accomplishing all possible reform.

Standing at the very doors of Kansas, Missouri declares that the Pro-Slavery Party organized the invasions and aggravated the conflicts which disgraced that Territory. Beholding Kansas from afar, South Carolina can see in all the events of the last eighteen months only "a spurious and lachrymose philanthropy, synonymous with pauperism and riot, tilting down upon the pointed spears of Southern Slavery." Why South Carolina, remembering the proverbial fate of beggars on horseback, should be so much alarmed at this vision of "tilting pauperism," it is needless to inquire. Suffice it that she is alarmed, and, if incoherence of imagery be any fair test of intellectual condition, fairly frightened out of her wits. While the first thought of Missouri is to put her house in order, and make herself an honest power in the Union, South Carolina is resolved to "wheel into line with Georgia and Mississippi," regardless of the "shrieks of shivering Cabinets, hysterical Presidents and dissolving parties," for the purpose of doing some dreadful thing and exploding so much of the Universe as her gunpowder can reach. We are not, we hope, very sentimental, nor superfluously tender of heart. But if we should hear "the shrieks of a shivering Cabinet, of a hysterical President, and of dissolving parties," we think that our first impulse would be rather medical than military. We shouldn't be much terrified, we think, and we hope we should be generously moved to works of mercy.

That Col. L. M. Keitt and the "States-Right" Men of South Carolina in this emergency should be so very bellicose and uproarious seriously grieves us, and somewhat shakes our faith in the possibility of bringing South Carolina to reason. Yet we do not choose to despair even of Colonel L. M. Keitt and the States Right Men, and we beg them, as they love themselves and their public dinners, not to speak of their county, to reconsider this their first echo of the voice of Missouri, and to sit awhile at the feet of St. Louis before they again lift up their voice in the land.

The Privacy of Public Men.

The old adage that a prophet lacks honor in his own country is less applicable, perhaps, to such prophets as we in America possess, than it ever has been to any set of great men in any other land whatever. It is not to be counted among our national faults that we overlook our great men, or clap the extinguishing bushel of neglect upon our bright and shining lights. On the contrary, we are only too happy to do anybody honor, and we so delight in ovations of all sorts that anybody who will afford us a good excuse for one is sure of our "eternal gratitude" for at least nine days.

But it is odd enough to find, as in the casual revelations of life one constantly does, how imperfectly we know the circumstances and the character of those who are supposed to fill a large space in the public eye. Either the interest which our people take in anything man is a singularly important interest, or the multitude of our heroes makes it impossible for us to recollect much about any one of them. It is not very long, for instance, since a journal published in this City took occasion to preach an affecting sermon of filial piety and parental affection upon the text of a visit to Washington Irving, whom the writer had found in the bosom of his family, surrounded by his three charming daughters, who made up with their accomplished parent a picture which reminded one of the home of Milton, less the parental blindness and the filial ill-temper. And but last week a prominent backer of policies was quite as suddenly invested with similar honors. An insidious youth, with little baggage and less principle, appeared at Buffalo and announced himself the son of Senator Sumner, in which capacity he was received without question, and succeeded in "doing" quite a considerable number of people in that very "Republican" city, before anybody seems to have been found who could explode the imposture.

Inquisitive as our people are commonly considered to be, their curiosity after all seems to find its own antidote in the infidelity of the public memory, and the private life of our public men would appear to be practically more sacred than it has usually been reckoned to be.

Custom-House Convenience.

The Custom House of New-York City is an institution important, not to this community alone, but to the whole country. As the actual centre of the most extensive circle of commercial exchanges in the Western world, New-York controls very largely for good or ill the movement of the life-blood of national enterprise. How business is transacted in New-York is a question which vitally concerns myriads of American citizens, and how business shall be transacted in New-York depends very materially, and in relation to a very considerable portion of our traffic, upon the management of the Custom-House and of its auxiliary offices. The Collector of this Port, therefore, is not merely a Federal officer, but in a very real sense a National officer, and his actions cannot fail to affect very seriously the popular feeling, both within and without the limits of his visible agency, either for or against the Administration which he represents. The nomination of the gentleman who actually fills this office was hailed with satisfaction by practical men of various parties in this City, because it was believed that in the discharge of his duties he would show himself as free from merely partisan ties, and as sincerely anxious to fulfill his important executive trust to the advantage of the great interests involved as was to be expected in this era of political chaos and of public demoralization. We do not mean to say that this comfortable belief has yet been seriously shaken, or that the public confidence in the capacity of Mr. Schell, and in his disposition rightly to employ that capacity for the public service, has as yet been seriously shaken. But we have received from sundry different quarters such complaints of new complications and of fresh mistakes in the Administration of a public office which has never been very satisfactorily conducted, that we think it right to warn our new Collector, in time, of blunders which may grow, if not at once corrected, into very serious consequences. While we were looking for such practical improvements and reforms in the management of the Custom-House as should render that necessary evil as endurable as in the nature of things it can be, and should liberate the commerce of New-York from annoyances as superfluous as they are vexatious, we own that we are both surprised and concerned to hear that additional burdens of discomfort and perplexity are actually imposing upon a community which is the worst-used, probably, because it is the most long-suffering community in the civilized world.

We are informed, for instance, that the "general order" business, which is of the first importance to the great and growing steam commerce of the metropolis, has been confided to some party or parties unknown to the mercantile world, and transferred from the safe and commodious stores in which it was previously transacted, to establishments so inferior that the merchants interested are not only compelled to pay an additional fifteen cents on the rate of insurance upon their goods, but are also subjected to an unnecessary tax of superfluous cartage, amounting to an increase of fully *two-thirds* on that not inconsiderable item of commercial costs, while to these adventitious expenses and increased delay in the transaction of their business, the unfortunate victims of the United States Government are obliged to submit without even obtaining the poor satisfaction of adequate security for the goods thus stored.

To these complaints it is added that a perfectly incompetent person from one of the inland States, having been sent to this City on a mission of Custom-House supervision at the solicitation of his friends, has been suffered to draw up plans for the modification of the management of our Custom-House, which have received the sanction of the Department at Washington, and so are fastened upon our mercantile community without the approval or even the advice of those who should have been consulted in the matter.

In a word, it is beginning to be quite too commonly alleged that those chronic disorders of the "effete Governments of the Old World," Barnacleism and "circumlocution," have broken out in an acute form in our Custom-House. These disorders must be dealt with at once and emphatically, for it should be remembered that the American citizen, however patient, cannot be expected to surpass the camel in that quality, and it will be well that his burden should be lightened before the last hair brings on the dangerous reactions of indignation.

A Very Small Party.—The Richmond *Enquirer* makes the following classification of parties in the next Congress:

FOR THE ADMINISTRATION:	
National Democrats	135
AGAINST THE ADMINISTRATION:	
Black Republicans and Know-Nothings	140
Hon. Mr. Keitt	1
Democratic majority	15

over Black Republicans, Know-Nothings and Keitt.

The *Enquirer* further compliments the chivalric Keitt by calling him "Guy Fawks," probably from the propensity to blow up people indiscriminately which he manifests in his letter which we publish this morning.

The Disaster on the Sound.

The infrequency of accidents from collision, or other causes, on Long Island Sound, creates a degree of alarm and excitement, when a disaster occurs to steamers on that crowded avenue of navigation, which are not experienced when much more terrible disasters happen on the great Lakes or the Western rivers. The rarity of disasters on the Sound is a proof of the extreme caution and good management which prevail on board the large steamers which are continually rushing through its waters. The terrible disaster of Saturday morning, by which the propeller *J. N. Harris* was instantly sunk and thirteen lives were sacrificed, appears from all the evidence furnished by the officers of the ill-fated vessel and of the steamer *Metropolis* with which she came in collision, to have been the result of an accident which no foresight could have guarded against. There will, we presume, be a legal investigation into the causes of the disaster, which may lead to the development of some facts now known to the public, which may give the melancholy affair a different aspect from it now wears. But, judging from the statements of the captains of the two boats the collision was purely accidental; the pilot of the *Metropolis* mistook the propeller for a sailing vessel, she having her sails set, and steering at an angle that prevented the smoke-pipe from being seen, he attempted to get out of her way according to the custom when a steamer meets a sailing vessel, while the pilot of the propeller put his helm a-port in conformity with the rules of steamers, in passing each other, and thus they were brought in contact. The pilot of the *Metropolis* further states that there was no light, or at least not a sufficiently bright one on the forward part of the propeller to enable him to distinguish her from a sailing vessel, in time to prevent the disaster. We suspect that this latter cause was the one which mainly led to the accident, and it is a matter of wonder that more disasters from a similar cause do not occur in the Sound. There is a culpable neglect on board of the innumerable sailing craft in the Sound and on our coast, in not displaying a sufficiently bright light to prevent collisions, and even on board of our large steamboats, which are generally illuminated fore and aft, the lights are not always so bright as they should be. In the case of the unfortunate propeller, there must either have been great carelessness in displaying a light, or else a most culpable remission of duty on the part of the pilot of the *Metropolis*. But we have no doubt that further investigation will clearly place the blame of the sad disaster where it belongs. In the present state of the matter it would be very unjust to censure either side, and it is well to guard against the very natural tendency to cast the blame, in an event of this kind, on the party that escaped unharmed.

The disaster, however, should be productive of good to the travelling public, by arousing the managers of the Sound steamers to greater vigilance, and making the captains and owners of the smaller craft sensible of the propriety of displaying better and more lights than they have been in the habit of doing at night.

Amusements.

The Summer season at the various places of theatrical entertainment is now at an end. For many it has been a trying one,—Wallack's being, we believe, the only theatre that has been sustained with profit during the warm weather. The Ravels, with their special entertainment, form, of course, an exception to this remark. They possess the secret of perpetual success, and never fail to play to crowded benches. A great deal of energy and enterprise have been displayed by Mr. Hemo this season, in spite of his foot, and he has, we hope, reaped the benefit thereof.

For the present, the only Broadway Temple of the drama is at Laura Keene's, where the merry jovialities are prosecuting a successful campaign. There is something remarkably startling, and to maternal ladies measurably pleasing in the extraordinary precocity which is displayed by the infantile members of this troupe. Their impersonations are spirited and exact, and evince unusual mental quickness. The selection of pieces is not always good, but during the week the fairy spectacle of the "Naiad Queen" has afforded a very suitable opportunity for the display of the ability of this very remarkable little company. In such pieces they are entertaining and comical. So far they have more than satisfied expectation, and fill Laura Keene's Theatre in a very satisfactory manner.

There is a solitary event in the dramatic world this week which deserves to be remembered. Mr. John Brougham, towards whom every one's thoughts naturally turn on a complimentary benefit on Saturday at Niblo's Garden. It is a kindly little affair between the public and a very worthy artist, and it is hard to say who will feel most flattered by the occasion. The stage needs a few more men of Mr. Brougham's capacity and bearing.

Everything seems to promise a tremendous time next season in theatrical, as in musical matters. The enterprise of managers has never been so conspicuously displayed as in the engagements which have already been effected. Musical and dramatic attractions will be offered by the various establishments sufficient to tempt the most rigid to a liberal outlay. It is probable that the Opera will obtain, as it usually does, the major share of the public patronage, and it will deserve it, for, from all we can gather of the arrangements for the season, it will be the most complete and satisfactory we have yet had. Mr. Ullman's principal engagements, up to the present time, are Ferrolini, La Grange, Formes, Rogers, and Archesi, (Conductor.) For the opening it is probable that some other tenor than Rogers will assist, but the engagement of this celebrated artist is, we believe, almost a certainty. Of Ferrolini, enough has been said for the present. Formes, the basso, is known by reputation in this country, and will certainly satisfy a very large class of auditors. He possesses the nine requisitions of a first-rate artist, which, according to Rossini, are eight of them, voice, and the ninth, more voice. He is a very useful man, not only in opera, but in oratorio and concert. Of Archesi, the conductor, we hear the most favorable reports. He has had much experience in his vocation, and can, it is said, conduct sixty operas without looking at a note of the scores. Let us hope that he will not fall into any of the numerous narrow German cliques that infest this goggly City, and bring disgrace on a profession which, under no circumstance, they are able to adorn. Mr. Ullman expects to have all in readiness for opening by the 7th of September. It is probable, however, that the second Monday in the month will be the opening night, and that "Sonnambula" will be the opera selected.

In the meantime we are to have a brief musical season at Mr. Burton's Theatre, with the peerless Vestvali as the principal attraction, supported by the best accepted talent of the Metropolis. The personal popularity of the lady, added to the real merits of the enterprise, insures it a successful issue. The campaign commences to-night, with "Lucretia Borgia," in which Signora Vestvali, Signora Louisa Carlotta, Signor Bellenoli, Signor Amodio, Signor Coletti, and others, will appear. The orchestra is under the direction of Signor Torriani.

A musical entertainment of a different but equally excellent kind is provided by Messrs. Bryant and Buckingham at the Academy of Music. The promenade concerts which these gentlemen have undertaken at great risk, and which they support with unremitting energy, do so far as public patronage is concerned—not fulfill the leading promise of the first night. They are so excellent, so much superior to anything of the kind we have had before that it is a little disgraceful there should be anything wanting to

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[illegible] Senator Rusk was a native of South Carolina, and an early emigrant to Texas. He was thoroughly [illegible] and a patriot. When the Texan people took up arms to resist the Mexican oppressions, [illegible] of Independence, and [illegible] of Texas, was then [illegible] Gen. Houston. His energy in the management of the war, his unswerving zeal and indomitable courage, and his great sagacity, by men of all parties, who were engaged in the great conflict; and it will be noted that there are no those upon which partizanship has been more sorely manifested than the history of the Texas revolution. All men, of all sides, however, have conceded the most unflinching courage and patriotism, and the most zealous and successful labors, to Gen. Rusk.

He was with the army at San Jacinto, and Houston's opponents over that to Rusk is due the greater credit of the hero of the day. So that as it may, his fame continued to grow, unsullied by reproach. He had subsequently temporary command of the army, from which he was transferred to a seat in the Cabinet of President Houston. This place he resigned, in order to attend to his private affairs, but was not long permitted to remain in retirement. He was called out to suppress the Mexican revolt at Nacogdoches, in 1838; led a regiment from Eastern Texas against the Cherokees, in 1839. In 1842, when the law was passed for the protection of the Western frontier, creating the office of Major General for that special purpose, it was voted by the President as unconstitutional, because the command of the army was made independent of the Executive. The Legislature passed the law over the veto, and elected Gen. Rusk to the high office.

On the annexation of Texas to the United States and her admission into the Union, Gen. Rusk was chosen one of the first Senators; and in the drawing for terms with his colleague, Gen. Houston, he drew the long term which expired in 1851. He was reelected unanimously, we believe—and had been sent to—days of quiet, without opposition, for a third term.

What has been Gen. Rusk's conduct in the Senate is well known to the whole country. It has not been marked by detached acts of high statesmanship, or by brilliant oratory on special occasions, so much as the steady performance of his whole duty, with an ability fully up to the mark, and a perseverance and integrity of purpose, which won for him frequent adjournment and universal confidence. In the Senate of the United States there had been no Senator, for years, to whom more unbiasing respect was paid on all sides, for the solidity of his judgment, the purity of his patriotism and the strength of will and of capacity with which he adhered to his convictions. He was a trusted leader of his own party—one they delighted to hear; yet his adversaries honored him, and never wanted upon him the reproaches which they heaped upon his party.

He was Southern born—true to his section, and even gave to the zeal with which he resented and repelled aggressions upon the rights of the South, yet he labored with energy, with hope and with faith, for the preservation of the Union.

There has been, indeed, a growing conviction throughout the Southern, and not confined to that region, but widely spread in other sections, that in the troublous times for our country, which are apprehended by many, a man of his character, so much at one with the people, we might find a capable, wise, brave and honest leader in Thomas J. Rusk. We know that during the late Presidential contest, when it was doubtful whether a union of conservative force could be effected on one man strong enough to defeat the combination which at last centred about Fremont—here was many an anxious thought turned upon Rusk as the man for the times; and a leader ability for the coming struggle his name had already begun to present the zealous of a powerful organization.

These hopes are suddenly darkened. The strong mind is shattered—the strong heart has been broken, from fatal grief, inevitable in its workings, crushing out hope, has driven to the desperate refuge of suicide one in whom the heroic qualities were so manifest that the world would have invited him to grapple with the deadliest foes without fear that he would give back an inch. Alas! for the weakness of human nature, even in the strongest—for the uncertainty of all human calculations and the fallibility of human judgment—that the friends who so much admire him, and had seen brilliant hopes for him, should gather round his new made grave, and while they mingle their tears for his loss, crave charity for the madness which wrecked his brain and drove him to self-destruction.

The Grasshopper Plague.

Correspondence of the New-York Daily Times.

ANOKA, Friday, July 31, 1857.

At just about the time you copied the accounts of the "Grasshopper Plague" in Minnesota, July 16, they began to migrate in myriads southeastward, and there they are now [illegible] in the air the above up, many crowd a few where wings are not yet fully grown, but soon on the ground, and all fear of further injury from them is past.

Our wheat will probably be full a quarter of a crop, while corn and potatoes bid fair for more than an average yield, on the whole, for the last month has been more favorable than either of the past two seasons. Many have commenced on the Mississippi, above Anoka, left last Fall, and were had intended to do so this Summer; but the accounts of the grasshoppers, and their depredations in other parts of the country have shown that going from where the pest was deposited last year, to where it is likely to be this, is like "out of the frying pan into the fire."

One curious feature in their performances is the fact, that on the north bank of streams to which they had traveled on foot, almost everything green was devoured, while for some distance immediately south of the stream hardly any damage is done. In other localities adjoining, fields show the same difference, one being entirely stripped and its neighbor entirely spared. The grass crop has suffered far less than it was, at one time, supposed, and as the apprehensions of a short crop of fodder have led to the careful harvesting of nearly every available ton of hay, there is prospect of a better supply of cattle feed this Winter than last, especially as our loss of hay by prairie fires last Fall will lead to greater care and watchfulness this season.

Previous to the departure of our winged guests many farmers felt disheartened to making any preparation for cultivation next year; since that time, however, they have become encouraged and "breaking" with renewed energy and confidence, so that our prospects, aside from the hopes our railroads promise, have never been so good as now. K.

Custom House Forms.

To the Editor of the New-York Daily Times:

Allow me to suggest, through your valuable paper, a few ideas as to the formation of a perfect Custom-House. In the first place, the present forms, &c., now in practice, are far from facilitating the merchant or clerk in a speedy delivery of the goods. Let us go back to the forms in use during Mr. Lawrence's Collectorship. At that time merchants were able to get their goods out of the public stores two or three days after their landing from the vessels.

1. Entry made in Entry Clerk's office.
2. Entry clerk in the Naval Office.
3. Person in the entry office, where a Deputy Collector.
4. Naval Clerk.
5. Entry published in Naval Office to pay duty.
6. Cashier's Office. Pay duty. (It would suggest that when the duty is paid, that the Cashier keep the invoices, and send them over to the Appraiser's Office.)
7. Paper rechecked in Naval Office.
8. Permit signed by Naval Officer and Deputy Collector.
9. Take permit on board of vessel.

During Mr. Lawrence's Collectorship, parties obtained their invoices (after being examined) from the examiners, and then obtained the signature of one of the appraisers. Finding that this interfered greatly with the pressure of business, in many ways, said examiners were troubled and annoyed by this party and that party for their invoices; their time was thus taken up in looking for invoices and answering questions. Well, in place of this old form, let the invoices after examination be sent to the appraisers; they will then lock them over and sign them. If anything is wrong, for of course, many things may turn up that the merchant is not aware of—for instance, his goods may be considered by the appraisers, as not being entered at the correct market value, or they may be passed at a higher rate than entered per entry—I would suggest that the merchant be notified of said fact. By this means much time can be saved by the merchants and Custom-House officers. Time is valuable to both parties. It would be well for the appraisers to have a Clerk at their disposal, so that when the merchant called for his invoice, said Clerk would deliver the same, or state if anything therein was wrong.

10. Obtain invoice from Appraiser's Office.
11. Entry published by Entry Clerk in Collector's Office.
12. The same in Naval Office.
13. Order Desk, &c.

It is needless to mention the other forms, as every Custom House Clerk is familiar with them.

The great drawback has been this invoice system. At the present time the merchant does not see his invoice after the payment of duties. I should like to know how the merchant can procure his goods without an order. Let him get one at the Order Desk as formerly. The Collector retains the invoice, and by so doing, he undertakes double duty for his clerks. The merchants would much prefer the old routine, that was in practice years ago. Then it was occasion for a merchant's clerk, to enter the examining room.—that I may let him see his invoice from the Appraiser's Department, and go through the old form to procure the order for the goods. Merchants in a general way cannot be familiar with the Cus-

[illegible] Custom House routine, as it is necessary for them simply to sign their bond and swear to their entry, not taking turns at my desk, leaving their entries to their clerks to finish—therefore, they should consult with their clerks as to the best and quickest forms to be suggested to the Committee. The New-Yorkers know much better than outsiders do, as to the proper forms of Custom House business. When a Clerk once knows them he seldom forgets them.

Under the present forms, it takes at least one or two weeks to get your goods from public store, and in many cases longer. It costs the merchant more time and money, for this reason: Say, for instance, he has four or more invoices to one entry; said entries are numbered by the Custom-House Clerk, 1, 2, 3 and 4, &c. A list is made of these invoices, they are confused with those belonging to other merchants, sent over to the Appraiser's office, and then distributed to the respective examiners. The examiner gets invoice No. 1, examines the respective case ordered on said invoice, sends it back to the Appraiser, and thence it goes to the Invoice Clerk, then, I might say, to some half a dozen clerks, before it gets to the order desk. About an hour after, invoice No. 1 is complete, invoice No. 2 is sent to the Appraiser, and goes through the same form, consequently the merchant throws away sixty cents, whereas, if he could obtain all these four invoices in the first place from the Appraiser, he could have his corn order made out for his four cases at a cost of twenty cents, saying he has one case to each invoice, and thus save time. I have been all through these forms, and know them too well. The twenty cents have been paid so often on each additional order that, in fact, it may be called robbery. I would suggest the calling of a meeting of the merchants' clerks—they know best how to make a perfect Custom-House system. TONY.

BLIND JUSTICE.—Justice is nowhere more blind and unequal in her mandates than at the Police Courts. A man named EDWARD KENNEDY, an Irish tailor, was brought yesterday afternoon before Justice BEERMAN, at Essex Market Police Court, by Officer JONES, of the Seventh Precinct, who preferred a charge against him. "I arrested this man at 1 o'clock this afternoon, in Cherry-street," said the officer, "for disorderly conduct. He was standing on the sidewalk with two men, and as I and my partner, Officer BURTSFIELD, passed them, they hallooed after us, using opprobrious epithets and vile language, with a view to excite us. We passed slowly on, paying no heed to them. This encouraged them, and they continued to taunt us and halloo after us the more. A crowd beginning to collect, we turned about and desired the three men to enter their houses, or else we would be compelled to arrest them. Two of them, after a little parleying, did as we desired, but this man, the prisoner, refused to move, but grew more insolent and told us to take him if we dare. We thereupon arrested him."

KENNEDY explained affairs a little different, and, of course, in his own behalf.

The magistrate dismissed the case, after assuring KENNEDY that if he was again brought before him on a like charge he would be dealt with severely.

The officer gave open expression to his discontent at the magistrate's action. "It is no use, your Honor, for a policeman to make an arrest. It is extremely dangerous to take a man into custody in some parts of our Precinct, especially in Cherry and Water streets. We are pretty sure of being assaulted most violently, and are generally lucky if we escape without a broken head, and when, after great personal risk, we do make an arrest, which always causes us much extra labor, our prisoner is dismissed. It is really too bad—it's no use in our doing our duty."

"In this instance," replied the magistrate, "I think a reprimand will be sufficient. You know the man. If you catch him again in any such affair, bring him before me and he will not get off so easily."

KENNEDY hereupon retired from the Court, and on meeting Officer JONES on the sidewalk said to him, in a threatening manner,—"Now you have done your most. Remember! I will remember you for this, dead or alive!"

The policeman was prompted to resentment the unforgiving KENNEDY, but to use his own language, "he knew it would be no use, so he let him slide," and returned back to his Ward to report the case "dismissed of course, Sergeant."

A few days ago two little boys were arrested in the Seventh Ward for fighting in the street. They were taken before Justice BEERMAN who sentenced them each to six months imprisonment in the Penitentiary.

HORRIBLE BURGLARY.—Mr. WM. TRAVER, a gentleman residing at No. 247 West Forty-ninth-street, was attacked, at a late hour on Saturday night, in the Tenth-avenue, by five men. They knocked him down and robbed him of $5, which was all the money he had about him. Officer STEWART, of the Twenty-first Precinct, came to his assistance, and arrested one of the robbers, an Irishman, named JOHN HERNEGAN. The others escaped. HERNEGAN was taken before Justice FRANKERSAN and committed for examination.

A North American Temperance Convention is to be held at Chicago on the 10th of November next. Its object is to secure unity of action among all Temperance organizations. Dr. JESSE C. PECK, E. C. DELAVAN and PETER SINCLAIR will be present.

Why a Minister Left his Church—Brutal Outrages on Slaves.

The Rev. SAMUEL SAWYER, A. graduate of the New-York Union Theological Seminary, and for the last nine years pastor of the Second Presbyterian Church Knoxville, East Tennessee, was recently driven from his Church in consequence of his course in regard to the beating of a slave named AUVERGY by his master, one Col. NETHERLAND, an elder in his Church. Mr. SAWYER has published nothing in regard to the affair until driven to it, by slanderous reports, prejudicial to his character as a minister, have been circulated and forced him to his own defence. He therefore publishes a long statement in a supplement to the Knoxville (Tenn.) *Presbyterian Witness*, the truth of which is vouched for by Messrs. JOSEPH HORNMASTER and J. M. JOHNSON, elders of the Rogersville Church. The Col. NETHERLAND, whose brutality is so disgustingly shown, has been elected a delegate to the Secession Convention called by the Pro-Slavery ministers of the New School Presbyterian Church, to meet at Richmond on the 27th inst.

The affair which gave rise to the trouble belonging to the negro, Auvergy, was briefly stated by Col. Martin, and was sold in 1856 to be sent to Mississippi. Rather than go "Down South," the nappy man ran into the woods, and remained concealed for days in a cave, until found and brought back by some hunters. He was then handed over by Col. M., with his consent, to the trader who bought him, who sent him back of the church, in a field, and there, in the presence of a crowd of spectators, beat him with over three hundred and thirty blows, laid on with a leather strap nailed to a board, while the slave was tied down on his back, naked and blindfolded. The trader whipped him to make him confess who had harbored him, and probably would have "beaten him till Saturday night," if such an excitement had not been caused by the first instalment of scourging.

But this was not the worst. Col. NETHERLAND owned an old gray-haired slave who had nursed him in infancy, and suspecting that he knew more about the runaway and who had harbored him than he chose to tell, he handed him over to the same negro trader, to be taken to a neighboring county and there beaten at discretion, to make him confess.

The trader took the old man to a place called Bean's Station, in the next County, (Grainger,) and there, on Sunday morning, in a stable, on the public highway, stripped and tied him naked on a plank, strapped his feet to a post, and tied his head forward to a brace, and then whipped him by striking with a carpenter's handaxe—Mississippi way—which raises large blisters and bursts them, cutting the hide in pieces. He whipped him that Sunday till all the neighbors closed their doors—whipped him till the neighbors put down their windows and closed the curtains—whipped him till the women, driven wild by hearing the blows and the negro's agonizing cries for mercy, cried out against it—till one man declared if he did not stop he would return him to court—till the landlord of the tavern, after hearing in silence the infliction of at least three hundred blows with the saw, went to him and told him that he must put an end to it—that he himself was liable to indictment for suffering such things on his premises, and that he was unwilling to bear it any longer. The trader became very angry at this interference, and told the landlord that he had sent a boy to get him a bundle of whips to scourge the negro's back when the flesh should be too much cut up by the saw; and, finally, finding he could not go on, he tumbled the negro into his wagon in disgust at the Bean Station people, and went to Rutledge. The slave had two fits in consequence of the beating, but notwithstanding, the trader tied him up again in Rutledge jail, while the jailer (who would merely have allowed it) was away, and beat him with fifteen sticks from a loom over the raw flesh, until he was dead, and then told him he would try it again the next day. The Inspectors, however, refused to let the jail be used for such purpose, and the negro was sent home in a week, no information having been obtained from him.

Thereupon a great excitement arose at Rogersville, and the Church Session publicly requested Col. NETHERLAND to come forward and show he was not responsible for the outrage. He refused to do this—declared he had a right to treat his negroes as much as he chose, or hurt it does—that churches had nothing to do with politics—and finally warned up by declaring Mr. SAWYER an Abolitionist, and that he must leave. Mr. SAWYER, thinking that the church would be divided if he stayed, and his friends being too much afraid of being called Abolitionists if they stood up for him, resigned the charge of this church, with its most righteous elder, and came away.

Letter from Hon. L. M. Keitt.

To Hon. L. M. Keitt:

DEAR SIR: At a meeting of "State Rights Democrats," including a number of your personal friends, the undersigned were appointed a committee to tender you an invitation to sojourn with us, and partake of a public dinner, as a mark of the high appreciation we have of your distinguished talents, high-toned political character, and manly defence of Southern Rights.

We have the honor to be, with high consideration,

Your friends and fellow-citizens,

N. Phillips,	J. Hamilton Hanegan,
G. W. Miller,	A. L. Evans,
R. R. Wheeler,	A. Turpin Harllee,
N. G. McDuffie,	Duncan McIntyre,
W. H. Crawford,	Thomas E. Stanley,

MARION C. H., S. C., July 22, 1857.

WHITE SULPHUR, VA., Tuesday, Aug. 4, 1857.

Gentlemen: I have the honor to acknowledge your note of the 22d ult., in which you tender me a public dinner on behalf of the States Right Democracy of Marion. I regret my inability to accept it, as I would most cheerfully commune with you, both as to the circumstances which surround the cause of the South, and the policy which she should adopt in the present exigency of affairs.

Events, in my judgment are hurrying to a crisis in which the South will have to stake her rights and safety upon her own union, and vindicate her existence by her own resources.

The day is past when truncheous concession, and huckstering compromises can stay back fanaticism and I trust that the day will never come when any meaning or insulting hosannas to the Union will be able to bind her arm when made bare to strike her foe. The rival forms of society at the North and at the South are about to face each other, and shivering Cabinets, nor convulsive Administrations, nor dying parties, can avoid the conflict or mitigate the shock. A spurious and lachrymose philanthropy, synonymous with pauperism and riot, is now filting down upon the pointed spears of Southern Slavery, and either Northern license or Southern law must triumph. Never before have they fairly faced each other, but all artificial obstacles are now rapidly disappearing, and the contest is beginning in earnest. Hopeful and patriotic men believe that this contest would be mitigated into rivalry, and restrained within due bounds by the principles of the Kansas Nebraska Bill. Under its sheltering provisions they believe that the different forms of society, North and South, would expand and develop side by side, and that the machinery of government might hence move on without being broken in pieces or jostled from its track. The bill itself was founded upon the fact that the forms of society and labor at the North and at the South were different, and its provisions were intended to secure an honorable and amicable rivalry between them. The federal government, as the agent of both, was pledged to an inflexible neutrality, while the champions of each struggled to advance their respective causes. This neutrality of the government, it was believed would allow legitimate expansion and development to the institutions of each section, and thereby arrest all improper collisions. During Mr. FILLMORE's administration this neutrality was maintained by the President, though perjured Governors, basely betraying their trusts, violated it. They were removed, and it is well known that the administration did not sympathize with their treachery.

Has the present Administration fairly carried out the provisions of the Kansas-Nebraska bill? Have they secured fair play between the North and the South? The first act was the appointment as Governor of Kansas, of a man of broken fortunes and sullied name; a needy adventurer, who traded upon the sincerity of the South, and stole into her confidence, through deceitful professions. What was his first act? To debauch Kansas from allegiance to the South, and deliver her into the hands of Free-Soil fanatics. To say that the cause of the South was lost in Kansas prior to the appointment of WALKER, is to palliate fraud by falsehood. A plain statement of facts will show the truth in this particular. Upon the passage of the Kansas-Nebraska bill, an effort was immediately made by both sections, the South to establish, the North to prohibit, Slavery. This issue absorbed all others, and constituted the gravamen of every contest in that Territory. Companies were organized at the North, and money freely contributed by Legislatures and individuals, to colonize Kansas with Free-Soil incendiaries, and expel Slavery from its limits. The South was roused by the fierce and plunging propagandism of the North, and her sons went to champion her cause in the new Territory; and her money was given to maintain them in the struggle. At the very beginning of its Territorial existence, Kansas became the battle-ground, where the forms of society and labor, North and South, strove for the mastery. This was the only question agitated in the Territory. Contest succeeded contest, the South won each triumph followed triumph, and each was emblazoned upon her banner. Three times pro-General WHITFIELD elected the Delegate from the Territory, and each time he was elected as the pro-Slavery representative. A large majority of the members of the Territorial Legislature have always been pro-Slavery men, and the Constitution, which is expected to close the Territorial career of Kansas, and inaugurate her a State, is absolutely in the hands of the same party. Public law making this Convention the absolute architect of the Constitution of Kansas, and usurping in many similar cases, dispenses with the submission of the Constitution to popular ratification.

Why were companies organized and money levied at the North but to make Kansas a free State? Why were efforts made at the South to colonize Kansas, and money given to accomplish this, but to make her a slave State? Every effort, every struggle, every movement on either side, was made to make Kansas a free or slave State. The Federal Government, as the agent of both parties, was pledged to absolute impartiality between the contending parties. The South won on every phase of the issue, and every step of the fight; and now, when the sceptre of control is in her very grasp, it is suddenly and rudely torn away from her. How comes it that this change has so suddenly happened? How comes it that the cause of the South has so suddenly gone down? Perjured Governors have broken faith to blast her cause, and yet she bravely struggles and wins the victory against all odds. Prostituted patronage insinuates its debauchery, and yet the nerves of the South are unshacked and her energy unquelled. Year after year the territory is shaken with revolt, is stained with blood and wrapped in flames, and yet the cause of the South prospers, and her banner is triumphant. The long and closing struggle is made, and at the victory is here! when lo! the fruits turn to ashes in her hands, and deeper settles upon her cause. Why this so sudden change? Is it not the nefarious and fraudulent intervention of the Federal Government? There were perjured Governors in Kansas before WALKER stained its soil with fraud and tyranny; but their crimes were fruitless, because the Administration was known not to sympathize with or connive at the fraud and wrong. How happens it that WALKER's dishonest intrigues too have not been bootless also? Is it not because the Administration is believed to sympathize with and abet the fraud and wrong? Is it not because he is believed to be clothed with the sanctions of the Federal Government that he succeeded in his foul and accursed machinations? If the cause of the South was lost in Kansas, it is lost through the base betrayal of a perjured minion of federal appointment. If the cause of the South is lost in Kansas, it is lost because a federal official, with the tarnished tinsel of office around him, has traveled through the Territory as a vagrant cavalier, dwelling slander and political mountebank, corrupting and debauching, striking and bullying wherever Free-Soil objects could be accomplished by these base appliances.

The loss of Kansas to the South is a great loss. And does it become the minions of the party in the losing section to stigmatize those who have shed their blood and given their money to avert this calamity, by saying that the struggle was a foolish one in the beginning, for that the cause of the South was long ago hopeless? No—the sacrifices were patriotic, and the efforts made to save Kansas to the South were noble. Nor were they bootless, until the Federal Government fraudulently interfered. Is it honest, is it manly, is it decent, for the Administration to gather the spoils of the fraud committed by its minion, and then shelter it from the responsibility? To do so is despicable cowardice and vulgar meanness. I will not strike the minion and bend the knee to the master. I will not have gauntlets for the former and velvet for the latter.

With treachery and fraud striking us out of Kansas, what is our policy? I answer, that it is the duty as well as the policy of the State to take her stand by the side of Georgia and Mississippi. These patriotic States have promptly rebuked the dishonest intrigues which have affected us in Kansas, and have put forth a high vindication of Southern rights. Let us cooperate with them. If the South is ejected from Kansas, it is done to consolidate and strengthen the Free-Soil Democracy of the North. The various fragments and factions of Democracy are all more or less Free-Soil, are each ringing its "big-bell" to prevent collision, and are all ready to be soldered together again by Free-Soil cements. To accomplish this foul Union, the South is to be sacrificed in Kansas. What booty is whether the South is sacrificed through Free Soil Democracy or Black Republicanism!

That which chiefly recommended the Nebraska bill to the South was its commitment of the Democratic party to a clearer vindication of her rights. This has been defeated by the intrigues of those in power. Mr. BUCHANAN was nominated, by the North and elected by the South, and any act of perfidy on his part is and will be doubly damned. Democracy at the North is hopelessly prostrated, unless it can be revived by some Free-soil application. In any issue between Slavery and Abolitionism, the North will accept the latter; and as that is the main issue before the people, the South cannot be relied upon. The only chance that remained, viz: that of allowing each section to legitimately develop its institutions through fair rivalry, has been destroyed by the fraudulent intervention of the Federal Government. The contest is rapidly coming, and the South must rely upon herself. Though her efforts be stigmatized by federal minions, and the resolutions of sovereign States denounced as fraud and wrong, be pronounced "ungracious" by an executive of her own creation, yet she must achieve her destiny, though her arm should fall heavily upon a cabinet of union and a paralytic Administration. In 1850, the Whig party of the South, which had elected Gen. TAYLOR, trampled Mr. CLAY from power when his treachery was made manifest; and will the Democratic party of the South be less true to our rights and honor, or less haughty and indignant against fraud and wrong? The democratic party owes its ascendancy in the South, and they must keep

should be met by consuming curses. No leader is anointed against the vengeance of an outraged people, and no official is so high that popular justice cannot reach him. The South must maintain her rights, though she turn a deaf ear to the appealing shrieks of shivering Cabinets, of hysterical Presidents, and dissolving parties. Her safety is in her union, and Georgia and Mississippi have gloriously led the way. Let South Carolina wheel into line with them, and march with steady step along the same bright track of constitutional integrity. Let her be no laggard in that contest in which the rights and honor of the South are to be vindicated. There should be no dissension in the Southern camp, and I trust there will be none, when the hour arrives in which loyalty to party will be treason to the South.

I have the honor to be, gentlemen,

Your obedient servant,

LAWRENCE M. KEITT.

To Messrs. PHILLIPS, MILLER, WHEELER, EVANS, and others, Marion C. H., S. C.

Indian Fighting in Texas.

The *Picayune* is indebted to Lieut. WOOD, U. S. A., who arrived here, last evening, from Texas, on route for Washington, for the following facts, which were received by him from Lieut. HOOD, of the 2d Artillery, just as he was leaving Texas:

Lieut. HOOD, Company G, 2d Cavalry, reports an engagement, on the 20th July, at the head of Devil River, with forty-five Indians.

He had twenty-four men on a scouting party: was informed at Fort Mason, from which he was detached, that a band of Lipans had obtained permission to bring in their families, and if they encountered any of the scouting parties, they were to hoist a white flag. On the 20th, he discovered ten Indians, who raised a white flag. He kept seven men with his pack mules and started towards them, and when he approached within about thirty yards, they immediately lowered their flag, and some thirty Indians sprang up and commenced firing rifles and arrows.

These shots were fired with remarkable and a close combat ensued. Lieutenant HOOD's men were armed with yagers and one revolver each. The mules became so close that one of the men, after firing his gun, hung it over the pommel of his saddle, and an Indian took it off!

He killed nine Indians and wounded ten or twelve. Lost two men, one killed and one missing; one dangerously wounded; himself and three men were wounded; and one horse was killed and three wounded.

Lieut. HOOD had seventeen fighting men in the engagement. His guides counted forty-five Indians, and stated them to be Lipans and Comanches.

If Lieut. HOOD's men had been armed with two revolvers each, it is thought he would have destroyed the whole party.

A Bad Woman—Murdered Children.

From the Cincinnati Gazette, Aug. 15.

A sexton, who has been for several years acting as such in one of our city graveyards, called at the Mayor's office to-day, and solicited the Mayor to give him a permit to see Mrs. GARRAMS, now awaiting trial, in the County Jail, on a charge of murder.

The Mayor very naturally inquired why he wished to see her, and in reply the sexton told him that he had certain suspicions floating in his mind, and that he wished to see her that he might know whether or not he was justified in entertaining them.

After some further conversation the Mayor learned from the man that, in his capacity of sexton, he had been called on frequently by an undertaker in the city, who brought him children to bury. For some he had permits, and for others he had not, and they were all interred in neat coffins, in his (the undertaker's) lot.

About two years ago the undertaker brought here another child in a wagon. There was a woman with him at the time, and when he was about interring the child, she asked him why he did not bury it where he had buried the others for her, namely, by the fence. He did not recollect her at the time, but it subsequently came to his memory, that he had, within the space of a year, buried some five children for this woman. The matter dropped here, and when the child was buried, the parties left the grave-yard.

The sexton was not paid for his services in this last case, and he applied to the undertaker for the money, but he referred him to a woman on Tunnel street, whose name he had forgotten, and told him she would settle with him. He saw her and got the money, and thinking from what he had seen in the papers lately in relation to the abortion cases, that Mrs. GARRAMS might be the woman who had these children buried, he wanted the permit to see her, and satisfy himself on this point.

The Mayor gave the sexton the permit, and from a number of women, he recognized Mrs. GARRAMS as the woman. She pretended not to know him when she saw him, and looked a great deal confused, but he was satisfied as to her identity, and declared himself ready at any time to swear to it.

The children which Mrs. GARRAMS had interred, he thought from the weight and size of the coffins, might be about a year old. He asked the undertaker at the time, they were all her own, but he only winked his eye in reply, as much as to say "don't you know all about."

The Mayor is actively investigating the matter, and if more evidence be not found against this fiend in human form it will not be for want of activity on the part of our Chief Magistrate.

A Man Barbarously Beaten to Death.

From the Cincinnati Gazette, Aug. 15.

Evening before last, two Germans, named JACOB GRIEGE and LUDWIG BREIDENBAUGH, were driving to their home, some 2½ miles east of Mount Pleasant, in a wagon, when they quarreled, just beyond the Brighton House, and BREIDENBAUGH struck GRIEGE with the butt of his heavily loaded whip, and knocked him from the vehicle. He then leaped out, and continued to beat GRIEGE upon the head most unmercifully, although he lay senseless, bleeding, and apparently lifeless on the road, until two persons, residing at Mount Pleasant, drove up, and remonstrated with BREIDENBAUGH for his cruelty, who, however, paid them no attention, but continued his savage blows upon the poor victim at his feet. One of the persons, a young man named HOFFNER, then jumped out of the buggy in which he was, and picking up a large stone, struck BREIDENBAUGH upon the head and knocked him down, causing him to desist from further brutality. The two then drove on, and BREIDENBAUGH, it seems, soon after followed them, leaving GRIEGE lying on the public road.

Shortly afterwards, two carmen came by, and seeing G. lying there, picked him up, and carried him to the residence of Dr. RICHARDSON, near the toll-gate. The Doctor not being at home, the carmen, very carelessly, not to say inhumanly, left the wounded man, then still alive, upon the portico, and continued their route. GRIEGE was found there dead about an hour after.

The Coroner held an inquest upon the body yesterday morning, and the jury returned a verdict in accordance with the facts we have narrated. GRIEGE's principal wound was just back of his left ear, apparently from a dull, heavy, blunt weapon, fracturing the skull, and likely of itself to produce death.

BREIDENBAUGH, said to be much larger than GRIEGE, has a wife and two children. He was arrested, and taken before Squire JONES, of Mill-Creek township, who, after examining into the case, refused to receive bail, and ordered his commitment to the county jail. His wife fainted when he was taken away, and his friends were entertained for her life, she is seen to become quite a mother.

BREIDENBAUGH declares in extenuation of the crime, that GRIEGE drew a knife upon him in the wagon, at the commencement of the disagreement.

A MUSICAL PEOPLE.—That Bostonians have souls in their souls was fully proved last evening, by the large attendance upon the various musical entertainments in different parts of the city. The Music Hall contained an immense throng, at the enjoyable affair there, in which music and sociality were agreeably blended. The Tremont Temple concert was fairly attended from the great attraction of the splendid organ-playing of Mr. MORGAN. Out-of-door concerts in front of the Parker House (where the Brigade Serenade Band discoursed most delicious music) and at other points, particularly in Howard-street, attracted large crowds of delighted listeners. Who will have the hardihood to assert, after this, that the people of Boston cannot appreciate the elevating influences of harmony, and the concord of sweet sounds? Would that they had a city government as willing to spend the public money to raise the taste of the community to a still higher standard, as to expend it for their own physical enjoyment.—*Boston Transcript.*

MORE SLAVES MANUMITTED.—WM. H. SMARR, of Warren County, Miss., manumitted in the Probate Court, yesterday, by attorneys JOLLIFFE and GITCHELL, ELLEN SMARR, a mulatto woman, aged 22, and EDWARD, her son, aged 2 years. Both, as usual, had more Caucasian than African blood.

GEORGE W. WHITEROOK, of Lafourche Parish, La., liberated CATHARINE, a mulatto woman, about thirty-four years white, aged 45 years. Mr. WHITEROOK came to this city in person, for the purpose of giving CATHARINE freedom, as he could not emancipate her in Louisiana where a prohibitory law has been recently passed by the Legislature.—*Cincinnati Gazette.*

BOYLSTON MEDICAL PRIZE QUESTIONS.—A premium of *sixty dollars*, or a gold medal of that value, has been awarded, by the Boylston Medical Prize Committee, to Dr. W. W. MORLAND, of Boston, for a dissertation on "The Pathology and Treatment of the Diseases of the Urinary Organs." Another premium of similar value was awarded to Dr. ESSEKIAH GUVER, of Woburn, for a dissertation on "Under what circumstances do the usual signs furnished by Auscultation and Percussion prove fallacious?"

BUSINESS NOTICES.

IMMENSE REDUCTION

In prices for French China, English Iron-stone China, Cut and Pressed Table Glass, Gas Fixtures, Silver-plated Ware and Table Cutlery.

LOOK AT THE FIGURES!

White Dinner Sets, 154 pieces, $18; White Tea Sets, 44 pieces, $6 75; Gilt Tea Sets, 44 pieces, $7 50; White Toilet Sets, $1; Fancy and Gilt Toilet Sets, $5 75; Cut Glass Goblets, the dozen, $4 75; Cut Glass Wines, the dozen, 75 cents; Three-light Gas Chandeliers, $7; Four-light do., $8 50; Hall Lamps, $3; Bedroom Folding Brackets (two pints), 75 cents; Silver-plated Castors, six cut bottles, $4 75; Silver-plated Cake Baskets, $5 50; Silver-plated Tea Sets, six pieces, $35; Silver-plated Tablespoons, the dozen, $6 75; Silver-plated Teaspoons, the dozen, $3 50; Silver-plated Table Forks, the dozen, $6.

W. J. F. DAILEY & CO.,

Look for and find the answer.

BUSINESS NOTICES.

TEN DOLLAR SEWING MACHINES.—WATSON, 310 sewing machines are now for sale at the office of the Company, No. 448 Broadway. Persons wishing sewing machines will do well to examine this household favorite before paying from $15 to $150 for less valuable but more complicated ones. It is needless to add that the howls and shrieks of the high-priced sewing machine dealers in regard to infringements on this are false and wholly without foundation.

WATSON, WOOSTER & CO., No. 448 Broadway.

THE DAUGHTER'S CONFESSION.

BY JULIA CARNY BRENNEMAN.

"Mamma," said Laura, softly
Laying down the open book,
And throwing at the prim old dame
A fond, beseeching look;
"I can never wed but Harry,
So urge on me no more
To wed the rich old Squire Burton,
Whose years must be three score.

"Though Harry is not wealthy,
He has youth and health and hope;
And to genius such as he commands
The world gives ample scope,
And to prove his truth and wisdom,
And that love is not a myth,
He has chosen me for his sweetheart,
And he buys his clothes of SMITH!"

SMITH BROTHERS' One Price Wholesale and Retail Clothing Warerooms, Nos. 152, 154 and 146 Fulton-st., New-York.

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at and below proprietors' prices, by the case, dozen or 100 gross. Combining ourselves exclusively to the medicine business, we possess facilities to handle this class of goods upon terms never before attempted in America.

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Nos. 681 and 683 Broadway.

REMOVAL.—MARSH & CO.'S RADICAL CURE Truss Office of No. 344 Mail-place, has been removed to No. 3 Vesey-street, Astor House. Trusses, suspensory shoulder-braces, silk elastic stockings, and every variety of bandages of most approved patterns skillfully applied. A female attendant in private rooms for ladies.

SEWING MACHINES, THREE DIFFERENT KINDS UNDER INJUNCTION!!

On the 20th day of June, 1857, the Circuit Court of the United States, for the Southern District of New-York, in several suits in equity commenced by I. M. SINGER & CO., after due notice to the defendants, ordered writs of injunction to issue prohibiting the sale or use of the Hunt & Webster machine, for violating five patents. Also, the Emery, Houghton & Co. machine for infringing two patents, and against Henry Wheeler, two dollar machine for infringing two patents. Persons who buy any of these inferior Sewing Machines from parties who have no right to make them, will be compelled by law to stop using them. Persons who buy any of these inferior Sewing Machines from parties who have no right to make them, they are compelled by law to stop using them.

I. M. SINGER & CO., No. 458 Broadway.

GREAT FIRE IN NEW-ORLEANS.—EXTRACT from a letter from New-Orleans to T. T. TWILLY, Agent for Herring's Patent Champion Safes:

"The fire after you left we had quite a large fire here. One of the stores destroyed was occupied by Messrs. Elliott & Co. The Herring's Patent Safe which they bought was in the fire several hours, and when opened the books and papers were found to be in a perfect state of preservation. They are well satisfied with it and will want another when they start again. I have let them have our back office until their store is rebuilt, which will be about the 1st of September." Yours,

THOMAS TWILLY.

NEW-ORLEANS, Aug., 1857.

S. C. HERRING & Co., manufacturers, Green Block, Nos. 128, 137 and 139 Water-st., and 251 Broadway, corner Murray-st., New-York.

WATSON'S 310 SEWING MACHINES—ANOTHER INJUNCTION AGAINST THEM.—On the 24 day of August instant, the United States Circuit Court for the southern district of New York granted an injunction in a suit prosecuted by I. M. Singer & Co. against Watson, Wooster & Co. This injunction absolutely prohibits the defendants and their agents from making, selling, or advertising for sale the Watson 310 Machine. Newspaper publishers will please take notice of this injunction, and not assist in violating it.

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SEWING MACHINES.—ALL PERSONS WHO want a sewing machine of a useful utility, one that will sew the lightest and the heaviest fab

The August Elections.

KENTUCKY.—The results stated a week ago have not been altered by subsequent returns. The [illegible] Democratic, [illegible] Americans [illegible]

[illegible] J. M. Elliott, Dem. — J. H. Hinton, Dem.
[illegible] Dem. — H. Marshall, Amer.
W. L. [illegible], Amer. — J. B. Clay, Dem.
A. G. Talbot, Dem. — John C. Mason, Dem.
J. M. Stewart, Dem. — John W. Stevenson, D.

The majority of Samuel H. Gammon, Democrat, for State Treasurer, over Thomas L. Jones, American, is above ten thousand.

In the State Legislature the Democrats will have a majority of sixteen on joint ballot, which will enable them to elect a United States Senator. Twenty-five Senators remaining over to fill a vacancy [illegible] on the 4th inst., and of those the Democrats elect thirteen and the Americans seven. But the [illegible] holding over, of whom only [illegible] are Democrats. This will give the Americans a majority of two in the Senate. In the House of Representatives, all elected this year, the Democrats will have a majority of eighteen or twenty.

TENNESSEE.—In this State the Democratic [illegible] elected Mr. Bayne in the First District, Mr. [illegible] in the Fourth District, Mr. Jones in the Fifth, Mr. Walker in the Seventh, Mr. Atkins in the Ninth, Mr. Avery in the Tenth. The Americans elect Mr. Healey in the Sixth District, and Mr. Hollins in the Eighth. The First and Second Districts to be heard from.

[illegible] will be a Democratic majority in both branches of the State Legislature, and this will give Democrats United States Senators, Bailie Gill Democrats, to succeed Governor of the State [illegible] majority of ten thousand over Robert Hatton, American.

NORTH CAROLINA.—Here the Democrats have been victorious. They have gained two members of Congress, and in several districts they had no opposition. The following members appear to have been elected: Thomas Ruffin, Burton Craige, Thomas L. Clingman, Warren Winslow, L. O. B. Branch, Henry M. Shaw (over H. W. Smith,) and Alfred M. Scales, (over W. Ferguson). In the Fifth District the contest is between Henry A. Gilliam, American, and Stephen W. Williams, Democrat.

TEXAS.—The returns are sufficient to show that Hon. H. G. Runnels, Democrat, is elected Governor of Texas by from 10,000 to 12,000 majority over Sam. Houston. There was no real contest for Lieutenant Governor, and both the Democratic candidates for Congress have been chosen by large majorities.

Ohio Politics.

The Republican Convention, lately in session at Columbus, after renominating Gov. Chase by acclamation, passed, among others, the following resolutions:

We insist that the lawful process by the State Courts for the maintenance of right, and the prosecution and punishment of crime committed within the limits of Ohio and against her sovereignty, shall be executed without let or hindrance by Federal officers.

We deny the right of the Federal authorities under the constitution of fugitives where not or any other act to suspend the writ of habeas corpus, or defeat its due execution in any State in which it is vested by law.

We condemn the doctrines of the tribunal of the Federal Supreme Court in the Dred Scott case as anti-constitutional, anti-Republican, and anti-Democratic, inconsistent with State Rights and dangerous to our peace and security.

We regard Slavery as a great evil and wrong, [illegible] morally, politically mischievous, and prospectively fatal both to the Union and Liberty; and we therefore earnestly oppose its extension or encouragement by the Federal Government.

We concur with a vast majority of the people of the Free States, and with a respectable portion of the people of these States, in reprobation of the action of the Federal Government, under the control of the Slave power, in breaking down the barriers against Slavery extension provided by the wisdom of our fathers, and in forcing Slavery into Free Territory, under the fraudulent pretences of the Nebraska-Kansas Bill, in disregard of settled national policy and plain Constitutional provisions.

Governor Chase in accepting the renomination, said:

"You will not expect from me a profession of my views and faith. I have no new one to make every twelve months. In the United States Senate, in my communications to the Legislature, in my speeches, are recorded an enumeration of my principles, where all men may read. I am ashamed of none of them. I have stood where I expect to stand until the great end for which we labor is achieved.

I ask your co-operation, until, as I have formerly said, Slavery is so nationalized—until it is deprived of the protection and support of the National Government—until it ceases to subject State Sovereignty to its demands. I stand, as I have ever stood, the avowed and determined advocate of the cause of liberty and human rights, whatever, and by whomsoever assailed.

I do this, however, within the limits of the Constitution—within its scope and verge there is enough for the utmost efforts for the final eradication of the evil.

I come here to announce no new platform, or other topics. I rely on my past declarations of opinion from which I have seen no cause to swerve.

California Politics.

THE GUBERNATORIAL CANDIDATES.

HON. EDWARD STANLY, Republican candidate for Governor of California, has written a letter defining his position. He says:

"When in Congress, as well as in the Legislature of my well-beloved native State, my opinions were not concealed from my constituents. Though in common with all Southern men, I condemned the intemperate of abolitionists to interfere with the rights of the Southern States, I never hesitated to say in public speeches, as in private, that Slavery was an evil; I never was guilty of the folly of denying what seven Presidents—beginning with the Father of his country and coming down to the time of Polk—admitted, that Congress had the power to prohibit the extension of Slavery to free Territory. By my declarations opposition was stimulated, and [illegible] times encountered denunciation followed. But [illegible] appealing to Cæsar from the politicians, to public Whigs and Democrats—to the people, I was triumphantly sustained. When I advocated the right of the people of California to enter the Union as a free State, I was threatened with the loss of the confidence of my constituents; but against furious opposition I was sustained. " " " California has suffered by adherence to party discipline. The question has not been, what is best for her honor and welfare, but who shall take the office, or who will buy that? The iron lock of party has greatly oppressed her people, and almost destroyed her prosperity. She will never attain that rank among her sister States to which she is entitled, until her people, forgetting what is past, shall unite in the common purpose of emancipating her from the slavery of mind—from the despotism of party spirit. We are in a new and commanding position before the world. We have a State unlike any other in our Union—her laws not settled, her finances disordered, her credit impaired; defalcations common, and numerous; with a population of civilians, by birth or choice, generally strangers to each other, and too much engrossed by their own affairs to pay much attention to public interests. Our State duties and duties of higher character than those we owe to party.

Senator WELLER, the Democratic candidate for Governor, proposes to stump the State. He tells the people what he has done, by way of comparing that for what he is to do:

"When I returned to this State some two months since, it was my honest determination to go among your Representatives in the Legislature and sent me—into the walks of private life. My pecuniary circumstances and my personal feelings demanded this course. I was persuaded of course, to serve the people of California, unless I enjoyed their confidence and esteem. I felt that in the public station in which I had been placed, if had not fortunes my pledge of fast your regard. [Signs of pleasure.] But friends, to whom I was under personal obligations in various sections of this State, demanded that I should once more present myself before the people of California. I did not feel at liberty to disregard their call. I consented to the use of my name, and after the extraordinary scenes enacted at the primary elections, I could not, if dared not, refuse the nomination which you have this day tendered me. [Prolonged applause.] I have said that I should have been perfectly content to remain in private life. I required no indorsement from the people of California. [Great applause.] I am willing that they should go and examine the record of my legislative life in both branches of the National Legislature. I have been six years in the House of Representatives and six years in the United States Senate, and I refer any man who desires to know whereof I speak to public questions of the day, to that record made up."

CASE OF THE BARK N. H. GASTON.—Captain D. F. MAXWELL, of the above named bark, denies the statement, published in some of the papers on the 10th, to the effect that he had entered this port from the West Indies, by the way of New Haven, with the intention to evade Quarantine regulations. Captain MAXWELL says he landed a small portion of his cargo and passengers in New-Haven, and then came to New-York, not to the dock, however, but proceeded directly to Quarantine, where he remained the required time. Capt. W. says he was fully acquainted with the port regulations, and had no idea of evading them.

Markets, Commercial, etc.

New-York, Saturday, Aug. 15, 1857—5 P. M.

ASHES.—The Market is firm, with sales of 60 bbls at $7 [illegible] for Pearls, and $7 6¾ for Pots.

COFFEE.—Sales 500 mats Java, at 16½c., and 500 bags Rio, 11½c.@12c.—6 months.

COTTON.—The market continues very firm, with sales of 600 bales at 15¾c. for Middling Uplands, 16¼c. for Mobile, and 15¾c. for New-Orleans.

FLOUR AND MEAL.—The market for all grades of Flour (except superfine State, which is scarce,) is dull and the tendency of prices downward. The receipts are not large, yet there is some accumulation of stock. Sales 4,000 bbls. at $6 50@$6 66 for common to choice extra State; $6 80@$6 90 for extra State; $6 40@[illegible] for superfine Western; and $6 [illegible] for common to medium extra Michigan, Indiana, Illinois, Wisconsin and Ohio. Too high grades of extra have sold to the extent of 50 bbl. within a few days, and are too unsettled to quote at present. In Canadian Flour there is a moderate business doing, and the market is without change of moment. Sales, 400 bbls. at $6 50 for common to good superfine, and $6 [illegible] 75 for fancy and extra. Southern Flour is dull and decidedly lower. The receipts are increasing, while the demand is fallen off. Sales 1,100 bbls. at $6 [illegible] 50 for common to choice Superfine; and $6 [illegible] for fancy and extra. Rye Flour is in moderate supply and dull, sales at $6 for common lots to choice superfine. Corn Meal is dull, at $4 15@$4 20 for Jersey; $4 [illegible]@$4 50 for Brandywine; and $3[illegible] for Brandywine.

GRAIN.—The transactions in old Wheat are only to a limited extent, and the market is heavy, while in new there is a moderate business doing at a decline of [illegible] bushel. The demand is chiefly for the supply of immediate wants of local millers, with trifling for export. Sales 4,400 bushels Milwaukee Club at $1 42; 650 bushels good near white Ohio (the first of the season) at $1 63½; 5,700 new white Southern at $1 50 for unsound; $1 [illegible] 68 for good to prime. 3,100 new red ditto, at $1 70, closing dull and heavy. In Rye there is only a limited business reported at 90c.@$1 [illegible] bushel for old and new, including a small lot of prime old at $1 [illegible], on outside price. The demand for Corn is chiefly for the local trade, and in a fair supply offering, holders are compelled to accept lower prices in order to realize. Sales 21,000 bushels mixed Western at 80½c.@80c. for prime, afloat, and delivered. Small lots of white and yellow Southern were sold at about previous quotations. The market for Oats is dull and heavy at 52c.@53c. for State and Western. New-Jersey is selling all the way from 45c.@50c., as to quality.

MOLASSES.—Sales of 75 bbls. Cuba Muscovado at [illegible]

PROVISIONS.—The market for Pork is buoyant, with a fair demand. The sales amount to the aggregate of 1,300 bbls., at $24 75 for Mess; $21 for Prime; [illegible] for Prime Mess, and $18@$18 50 for Clear, including 500 bbls. Mess, for Canada at the above quotations. The market for Beef remains firm, and the demand is fair. Sales—300 bbls., at $16 50@$17 50 for repacked Western, and $18@$19 for extra Mess. Prime Mess is held at $20@$21, without sales. Beef Hams are active, and prices are nominal, at $23@$23 75. Cut Meats are buoyant, with sales of 100 hhds. Shoulders, to arrive, at 11½c., and small parcels Hams at 12½c. Lard is firm, with sales of 27 bbls. Western Smoked at 14½c.@14¾c. Lard remains firm, with sales of 25 bbls., at 15½c.@15¾c. Butter is selling at 16c.@[illegible] for Ohio, and 18c.@20c. for State. Cheese is dull at 6c.@10c.

RICE.—Is quiet, with sales of 120 tierces at 5¼c.@[illegible] each.

SUGAR.—A quiet but firm market, with sales of [illegible] hhds. Cuba Muscovado, at 8c.@10c., and 90 bags Rio, 10c.—4 months.

WHISKEY.—The market is dull and heavy—sales 500 bbls. Ohio and Prison at 26c.@26½c. The latter price for small parcels.

FREIGHTS.—Continue dull, with engagements to Liverpool of 200 bales of Cotton at 3-32; 300 tons Logwood 7c. 6d.; 100 tons Fustic 6s.; 900 bbls. Rosin 5s.; [illegible] bbls. Spirits Turpentine, 2s.; and 7,000 hhds. Staves 35c. To Rotterdam—3,000 bbls. Spirits Turpentine 5s.; 90 tons Copper Ore 22s. 6d.; 27,000 light Pipe Staves $16. To Bremen—130 bales Cotton ¾c. To Marseilles—50,000 light Pipe Staves to fill up, $30; a barque 400 tons to Tarragona, light Pipe Staves, [illegible]; a brig from Wilmington to Trinidad, F. S. Lumber, $12; one 260 tons hence to Jamaica and back, $1,800.

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CONTINUATION OF THE GREAT SALE AT LANE & PORTER'S.
DISSOLUTION OF PARTNERSHIP.
Owing to the death of one of the firm, this rich and [illegible] stock is now selling off without reserve at an
IMMENSE REDUCTION.
GREAT BARGAINS IN
SILKS,
LAWNS,
MANTILLAS,
TRAVELING CLOAKS,
HOUSEKEEPING GOODS,
and EMBROIDERIES.
No. 317 Canal-st., near Mercer.

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BEEKMAN & COMPANY Will open on Monday [illegible] assortment of Embroidered White and Colored Marseilles Sets, [illegible] per last steamer. No. 478 Broadway.

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BEEKMAN & COMPANY, No. 478 Broadway.

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THE GREAT SALE of Summer DRY GOODS will continue FOR ONE WEEK MORE at Columbian Hall, No. 361 Grand-st. LYONS & JONES.
N. B.—Ladies will do well to avail themselves of this chance to get the greatest bargains ever offered in New-York.

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Splendid Mosquito Nets, forming 4 large sleeping rooms. They are remarkably very light and can be used instantly to the comfort of sound sleep. VOORHIS & WHITEMAN, No. 488 Broadway, near Bleecker-st.

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A matchless steel plate, "Heel and Toe;" a superb colored fashion-plate, four figures, cape, mantillas, etc., printed in colors, showing how they will look when made up; New style of bonnet, 6 patterns. A beaded mat. A fashionable morning-dress; braided cigar case, baby's shoe, [illegible] lady's stomacher, point lace caps for an infant, embroidered collars and embroidery patterns in abundance. The manufacture of silk, with numerous engravings. "How to Dress With Taste." Embroidery glass and how to make it. A farm-house of stone rough cast, with plans, etc. Work. Novelties for September, containing 9 engravings. Doyley, Sun-bonnet with diagram. Full instructions in needle-work of all kinds. Embroidery pattern on robe of the young Prince of France. Receipts in abundance.

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INFORMATION WANTED.—ELIZABETH JACKIE, a native of [illegible] Scotland, is anxious to hear from her daughter, ELIZABETH CHRISTIE, who left Scotland in the Spring of 1850, and went to her father, JOHN CHRISTIE, farmer in Edgefield District, S. C. Any information either from father or daughter, would be gladly received from a sorrowing mother, who has been in New-York since last October. Address Mr. ROBERT MILNE, No. 181 West 26th-st., New-York.

INFORMATION WANTED OF CHRIS. BROWNING; formerly lived in Arundel County, Md.; by his wife, who has not heard of him since he left. She has been at the Girard House, Chambers-st., for several days, but goes home to-day. She is very anxious to see him. Will any acquaintance of his notice this. C. S. M. LEWIS BROWNING.

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Admission.....50 cents
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THIS (Monday) AFTERNOON, Aug. 17,
AN AMUSING CONCERT.
Solos, Glees, Choruses.
To commence at 3 o'clock.
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COMPLIMENTARY BENEFIT TO MR. H. B. PHILLIPS,
On MONDAY EVENING, Aug. 17, 1857,
Positively the last night of
MRS. JOHN WOOD
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MR. JOHN WOOD,
who will appear in the great burlesque of SHYLOCK,
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MR. C. W. CLARKE
will appear in his celebrated character of
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OF THE
WONDERFUL MARSH JUVENILE COMEDIANS.
MONDAY and TUESDAY Evening, August 17 and 18, will be presented the Fairy Extravaganza of
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Spider dance, by La Petite Angelina.
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In four characters
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The Promenade Concert to commence at 7.
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Dress circle, 25 cents; Pit, 12 cents; Orchestra Chairs 50 cents; Private Boxes, Second Circle, $5 exclusive, or $1 for each person.
MONDAY EVENING, Aug. 17,
The entertainments will commence with
THE FAST YOUNG MEN OF NEW-YORK AND BROOKLYN
To be followed by O'NEAL THE GREAT.
Concluding with the Farce of SUDDEN THOUGHTS.

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Mr. ULLMAN respectfully announces that he has made arrangements with
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From the great sensation produced twelve years ago by Mr. Vieuxtemps in the artistical world when at the beginning of his brilliant career, Mr. Ullman confidently expects that the announcement of his approaching visit, at a time when he is universally recognized as the greatest living violinist, will be received with unqualified approbation.

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Mr. Ullman respectfully announces to the public, that by an especial arrangement concluded with Mr. Calzado, the Director of the Italian Opera in Paris, an engagement has been effected with
MADAME FREZZOLINI,
who will arrive in New-York early in September, on a professional tour of four months' duration through the United States.

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The Directors of the Academy of Music respectfully announce that an engagement has been concluded with this celebrated artist, the rival and successor of Mr. Formes as the greatest living singer of Oratorios and of the highest class of Opera, rendering any further comment superfluous.

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sustained by the highest talent ever put together in a beautiful theatre, (universally acknowledged to be the best house for sound,) with full and complete chorus and orchestra.
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PUBLIC MEETINGS.

PROSPECT HILL VILLAGE ASSOCIATION.—A general meeting of the members of the above Association will be held at the Westchester House, corner Broome and Bowery, on MONDAY EVENING, August 17, at 7½ o'clock. Business of importance will be brought before the members. By order of the Board of Directors. JOHN HARBUTT, Secretary.

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WANTED—AT NO. 6 EAST BROADWAY, TWO book keepers, 3 cashiers, 5 clerks to be familiar with hand and shipping office, 3 express drivers, 3 porters, 2 baggagemen, 3 brakemen, 1 barkeeper, and 4 girls to travel with private families. Apply to GILLEN & CO.

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SUMMER QUARTERS.—THE "FAIRFIELD House" is now completed, and open for the reception of guests. The house is new, well arranged, and handsomely furnished, (lighted with gas,) and has every convenience for families who desire all the comforts and conveniences of a first-class and quiet hotel. It is located in a beautiful village, of easy access to a fine beach for bathing, and the surrounding country abounds in beautiful and rural drives. The subscriber will spare no efforts to make the Fairfield House one of the most attractive and desirable Summer resorts. N. H. GILLETT,
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FAIRFIELD, June 26, 1857.

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PUBLIC NOTICES.

PUBLIC NOTICE.—IN PURSUANCE OF A resolution passed by the Board of Commissioners of the Central Park, Aug. 4, 1857, the Committee on Buildings in the Central Park will cause to be sold at public auction on the 15th day of September next, at the Wagstaff House, 5th-av. and 79th-st., at 12 o'clock of that day, all the buildings in said Park as directed by said resolution.

Catalogues of the sale can be obtained of Messrs. JOHN LLOYD & SONS, auctioneers, or at the offices of the Commissioners at the Bank of Commerce buildings, corner of Nassau and Cedar Streets, and the Wagstaff House as above, 10 days previous to the sale.

Terms of sale the day of sale, and the buildings to be removed within 30 days thereafter.
WM. K. STRONG, Chairman of Committee on Buildings in Central Park.
New-York, Aug. 12, 1857.

QUARANTINE NOTICE.—OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONERS OF HEALTH.—PORT OF NEW-YORK, Aug. 4, 1857.—Masters and pilots of vessels arriving at the port of New-York are hereby directed not to throw overboard into the Bay, or permit the same to be done, from any vessel under their command, any beds, bedding, or other refuse material, inside of Sandy Hook; and masters and owners of vessels are hereby notified that an iron scow has been constructed by the Commissioners of Health, and placed under the control of the Health Officer, for the purpose of affording facilities to ship-masters to comply with the Quarantine regulations, regarding the burning of old beds, bedding, and other refuse material.
By order of the Commissioners of Health.
WALTER F. CONCELLIN, Clerk.

CROTON AQUEDUCT DEPARTMENT, July 15, 1857.
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE water rents are due and payable annually on the 1st of May. On the 1st of August following five per cent is added to all unpaid rents; and on the 1st of November thereafter an additional ten per cent. See act of Legislature, April 11, 1853.
All those citizens who wish to avoid paying either of these penalties must pay before the 1st of August next.
R. C. HANCE, Receiver.

PUBLIC NOTICE.—THE PUBLIC ARE HEREby cautioned not to negotiate or receive three certain promissory notes dated July 10, 1857, for one thousand dollars each, made by the subscriber to L. F. Beans or bearer—one payable in six and the other two in nine months, as the payment of each and all of them will be contested. A. W. SHAW.

COPARTNERSHIP NOTICES.

DISSOLUTION.—THE FIRM OF BOWNE & HABERCOCK is this day dissolved by mutual consent; Mr. William Bowne retiring therefrom. The business will be continued by the undersigned on his own account. J. A. H. HABERCOCK.
New-York, Aug. 1, 1857. Stationery Hall, Nos. 154 and 156 Pearl-st.

MERCANTILE LIBRARY.—SPECIAL NOTICE.—The Library and down-town office will be closed for cleaning and repairing on Saturday, for three weeks, from Monday, Aug. 17, to Saturday, Sept. 5, inclusive. The reading room will be closed for one week only, from Monday, Aug. 24, to Saturday, Sept. 5, inclusive. By order JOS. F. HANSON, Rec. Sec'y.

STEPHEN H. GRISWOLD HAS REMOVED to No. 177 Broadway, where he will carry on the gold pen, gold and silver pen and pencil business, wholesale and retail.

INSTRUCTION.

MT. TUFTS, PITTSFIELD, MASS.—Professor Hopkins's distinguished sixteen years by Messrs. TYLER and ASHTON, the former facilities for education. For catalogues, address G. V. SPEAR, Principals.
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AUCTION SALES.

WILL BE SOLD, DAILY, AUGUST 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, and 22, at 10 o'clock, at the Merchants' Exchange, the following Railroad First Mortgage 6 per cent Bonds, viz:

Illinois and Mississippi Railroad, First Mortgage 7 per cent.
Illinois Central Railroad, First Mortgage 7 per cent.
Michigan Southern Railroad, First Mortgage 8 per cent.
Michigan Southern Railroad, Second Mortgage 8 per cent.
Cleveland and Toledo Railroad, First Mortgage 7 per cent.
Cleveland, Columbus, Cincinnati and Indianapolis Railroad, First Mortgage 7 per cent.
Cleveland Fire Insurance Co. ..... $100 each
Cleveland Insurance Co. ..... $100 each
Ohio Life and Trust Insurance Co. ..... $100 each
Ohio Life Insurance Co. ..... $100 each
Western Reserve Fire Insurance Co. ..... $100 each
Ohio Fire-Arms Co. ..... $100 each
Harmony Fire Insurance Co. ..... $50 each
Shares in the Exchange for the day, and the balance will be sold at the Store, No. 2 Broad-st.

Most positive sale. No postponement on account of weather. Must register sale on THURSDAY, Aug. 20, previous.

ALBERT H. NICOLAY, Auctioneer.

Sales postponed till Monday, No. 2 Broad-st.

HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE.—HENRY H. LEDYARD & CO. will sell at auction on TUESDAY, Aug. 18, at 10 A. M., at No. 15 Allen st., the following household furniture, comprising rosewood parlor suits, hair cloth, rosewood and other chairs, rosewood tables, mahogany and other bedsteads, bureaus, wardrobes, washstands, hair mattresses, feather beds and bedding, with other articles, including kitchen furniture, with which the sale will commence.

H. Doughty, Auctioneer.

WILL SELL ON TUESDAY, TO-MORROW, at 10 o'clock, the entire ELEGANT FURNITURE of house No. 146 West 20th-st., consisting in part of rosewood parlor suits, in velvet, plush and hair cloth; rosewood and other tables, French bedsteads, hair mattresses, feather beds and bedding, with gas chandeliers and fixtures, oil cloths, rosewood hall stand, hat and coat racks, extension tables, oak dining chairs, carpets, China ware and tea sets, refrigerator, cooking stoves, and in a word everything requisite for housekeeping, and required in a well-furnished house. Catalogues at house on sale.

H. Doughty, Auctioneer.

WILL SELL THIS DAY, AT 10 1-2 o'clock, at No. 48 East 4th-st., near Madison-av., the GENERAL FURNITURE of a family, viz: mahogany hair cloth parlor suits, rosewood parlor chairs, Brussels carpets, French bedsteads, hair mattresses, curtains, carpets, stair and door rods, French China, glassware, crockery, bedding, oil cloths, cooking stoves, refrigerator, kitchen furniture, dining tables, &c.

GEORGE S. SAVAGE, Auctioneer.

BYORDER.—FASHIONER, DIGGLES, SAGLEY & SLAVE will sell, THIS DAY, commencing at 10 A. M., at the premises No. 144 Atlantic-st., Brooklyn, the entire stock of a dealer in fancy goods and house furnishing goods.

D. E. Sims, Auctioneer, office No. 398 Broadway.

MORTGAGE SALE OF FURNITURE, Pianos, &c., on MONDAY, Aug. 17, at 10 o'clock, at No. 429 and 431 Broadway, comprising sofas, chairs, pier and oval glasses, bar and fixtures, glassware, marble-top tables, carpets, oil-cloths, &c.

HORSEON BOWERY LANE GEORGE N. YOUNG.—AUCTION SALE.—Will be sold at auction on the premises, on TUESDAY, Aug. 18, at 12 M., on the premises, that beautiful and desirable Residence, known as the United States Hotel, Long Branch, Monmouth Co., N. J. Also, a number of large villa lots, beautifully located, in general present proximity to the hotel, and commanding the magnificent view of the lake and surrounding country. Also, of the premises now known and kept as the United States Hotel, Long Branch, Monmouth Co., N. J., on the premises, that beautiful and desirable residence known as the United States Hotel, Long Branch, Monmouth Co., N. J. Also, a number of large villa lots, beautifully located, in general present proximity to the hotel, and commanding the magnificent view of the lake and surrounding country. Also, of the premises now known and kept

NEW-YORK CITY.

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[illegible] Fire Department.—A fund has long existed among the members of Engine Companies 6 and 11, on Saturday evening, during the alarm of fire, when assembled each other at the house of Engine and Hose Company, when the members of 11 [illegible] by promptly running their engine [illegible] Hook and Ladder Company, [illegible] Company 6 [illegible] Company 11 [illegible] Company 6 [illegible] Company 11 [illegible] Company 6 [illegible] Company 11